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By Marc Fisher

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By Steven Erlanger New York Three Service

MOSCOW — On the eve of an important session of the full Russian partiament, President Boris N. Yeltsin demanded strong executive authority in a new constitution and promised to introduce measures to soften the numericate impact of his economic reforms. Mr. Yeltsin broke days of virtual silence during which he has Mr. Yeltsin broke days of virtual silence during which he has meneroved to blunt expected criticism from the parliament, the Congress of Psople's Deputies. He has shifted some of his closest relies from their posts while defending the necessity of market reforms and of a strong hand at the top. The parliamentary session opens Monday and may last nine days.

Preparing for a session that is expected to push for a draft constitution giving future parliaments more power, Mr. Yeltsin, who also serves as prime minister; said bluntly that Russia could not

and serves a prime initiation, and overnment.
"In the present situation," he said, "we can talk only of presidential government for the next two or three years. In a parliamentary republic the president is no more than a decorative figure." He said that would be "suicide" for Russia in these difficult transitional times, when "we still have to deal with a scriously ill

Nonetheless, he added, after watching the economic change so far, beginning with price liberalization and more monetary control in early January, some "partial corrections" are necessary.

A cabinet reshuffle has already begun, Mr. Yeltsin said, and a new cabinet will include a number of "major businessmen and industrial-ists." Such people have been complaining bitterly about tight money and high prices while industrial output has been falling drastically. Given the economic structure of Russia, with its huge monopoly enterprises and little competition, these men and their employees esent both the old apparatus and a powerful current threat to

On Sunday, Mr. Yeltsin also promised financial support to state enterprises and vowed changes to ease the burden of new taxes, most of which are not being collected in any case.

He also promised continued state support for agriculture, which remains largely collectivized. The crucial spring sowing season is nearly here, and whatever else happens, Russians need to eat, and ideally at prices lower than those prevalent today, especially in Moscow and St. Petersburg.

In the last few days, Mr. Yeltsin has dropped Gennadi V. Burbulis as first deputy prime minister, while keeping him as state secretary, and has dropped Yegor T. Gaidar, the most visible economic reformer, as finance minister while keeping him as a deputy prime minister. Alexander Shokhin was dropped as minister of labor and employment but will also remain a deputy prime minister.

This way, in concessions to critics, they are out of ministerial posts See YELTSIN, Page 6



Demonstrators arguing outside the "citizens' congress" in Moscow on Sunday while Mr. Yeltsin was addressing the meeting inside.

Bringing Gavel Down on Communism

By Fred Hiatt

NIZHNY NOVGOROD, Russia - The auctioneer in a red bow tie and white silk shirt mopped his brow, slicked back his hair and announced the next item for sale: Sewing Shop No. 38 on Yamskaya Street. Wheeling from one bidder to another in the

tense and crowded auditorium, the auction-eer, Arseni Labanov, called out the rapidly rising figures: 100,000 rubles . . . 500,000 ru-. . 2 million rubles . . . 3 million rubles ... 3.3 million rubles.

Then, with a crack of his long wooden gavel, Mr. Labanov pronounced the button store sold to a woman in the back row for 3.6 million rubles, about \$36,000. A state-owned store had become a private store, and the much debated dissolution of the world's first

Communist system had taken a crucial step toward reality.

Today marks the breakthrough point of the privatization process," said Anatoli Chu-bais, the chief of President Boris N. Yeltsin's privatization program. Mr. Chubais jour-neyed here to Russia's third-largest city, 400 kilometers (250 miles) east of Moscow, with First Deputy Prime Minister Yegor T. Gaidar to witness the sales.

"I think in the nearest future, auctions like this will be routine across Russia," he said.

In a nation with hundreds of thousands of enterprises - 80,000 that employ 500 or more workers — the auction on Saturday of 21 cafes, hair salons, cheese shops and other retail outlets could hardly be considered a decisive triumph of reform. But Russian and Western officials said they hoped the start of

a practical and honest program to sell off state property and promote free enterprise here would serve as a model for other cities.

The auction provided a tangible achievement for Mr. Gaidar and Mr. Yeltsin to boast of Monday during the session of the Congress of People's Deputies, where they expect to hear sharp criticism. Many politicians have complained that onder Mr. Yeltsin's reforms, prices have soared while state-owned monopolies have not been broken up to provide

"In Nizhny Novgorod, we have something that will put some body and soul onto all the talk of reform," said Wilfried Kaffenberger, vice president of the International Finance Corp., a World Bank affiliate that helped set

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the preparatory negotiations remain unre- The draft Rio Declaration on Environ- own resources, they have no right to "cause

The richer nations acknowledge, in convointed language, that the damage their own industrialization has done, as well as the greater wealth they have acquired, give them

And developing countries, which have en-vironmental problems like overgrazing of land and the destruction of forests, pledge to

ment and Development commits the world's damage to the environment of other states or of areas beyond the limits of national juris-

> jumping to nearly 600 crimes, a federal report said. A refugee assis-

According to exit polls by ZDF television, the Republicans, who won only I percent of the Baden-Württemberg vote in 1988, won support from 13 percent of voters livered a powerful shock to the country's political establishment under age 30 and 16 percent of blue-collar workers. on Sunday by voting two radical right-wing parties into state parlia-The survey said 42 percent of 20-year grip on the affinent south-

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Republican votes came from peo-ple who had voted Christian Democrat fnur years ago. The Christian Democrat eampaign this year inined the right-wing party in heavily emphasizing the asylum issue — a tactic the Social Demo-crats warned would backfire and help the radical right.

percent of the vote — a showing the ARD television network described This is a protest vote," said Defense Minister Volker Rühe, who is also manager of the Christian Democrats. "The losers are the ma-jor parties and democracy. Voters feel the big parties are not solving the problems" of asylum and the consequences of unification. Mr. Ruhe called on the country's

A radical right-wing party there, the German People's Union, also did surprisingly well, winning near-ly 7 percent of the vote. major parties to work together, especially on the asylum issue, to force radicals out of state parlia-Although both major parties suf-fered losses, the Republicans postments. But poliocal analysts instead expect the Christian Demoed their best performance ever and the best showing of any radical right party in Germany since the crats to redouble their efforts and sharpen their rhetoric — to "solve the asylum problem" by elections immediately after World War II, as young people and the politically disaffected voiced anger strictly limiting the ability of forover the increasing oumber of for-eigners seeking political asylum in

The Republican Party chairman,
Franz Schönhuber, a former Nazi
SS officer, denied that his party's
message is ano-fnreigner.
"We've never said, 'Foreigners
out!' "he said, "We say, 'Stop the The voting on Sunday, which involved more than 9 million of Germany's 78 million population — was a severe setback for Mr. Kohl,

mass immigration.' Those who call us radical are criminalizing 11 per-cent of the population. Are they crazy? Are they criminals?" whose party has lost control of three states in the last two years. The Republican campaign fo-The Baden-Warttemberg results cused almost solely on the asylum

mean that the Christian Democrats issue, with posters warning that must find a partner willing to form Sooo every German will have to a governing coalition. Christian Democrat leaders said they would take asylum-seekers into his oot cooperate with the Republi-Asylum-seekers, most of them cans, so they must either form a from Yogoslavia and other East rare "grand coalition" with the European countries, have been entering Germany at a rate of 35,000 hand over control of the state to a a month. Germany has no legal coalition of Social Democrats and immigration; the country's consti- environmentalist Greens.

tution guarantees asylum to the po-litically oppressed. Mr. Kohl's par-the Baden-Württemberg capital, ty is pushing for an amendment that would limit that right.

Stuttgart, said his party was open to governing with its rival because The number of attacks on forthe "results are such a threat to our eigners in Germany rose fourfold democracy." in the first three months of 1992,

Io Schleswig-Hulstein, Mr. Engholm will retain his post as state premier, but to do so he will tance group, Pro-Asyl, warned most likely have to share power with the Feet Democrate. For the right" presented a "new danger" first time, the state parliament must make room for the rightist German People's Union.

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Moldova Says Russia Meddles

KISHINEV, Moldova (Reuters) — Moldova accused Russia of gross interference in its internal affairs on Sunday after the Russian vice presi-dent, Alexander V. Rutskoi, visited former Soviet troops in. the rebel Dniester region. Moldovan radio aired an of-

ficial protest against Mr. Ruta-kor's visit to Thraspol, capital of the self-styled Dniester Sovict Socialist Republic. The dispute appeared to be a setback for peace talks here Monday between the foreign

ministers of Russia, Ukraine, Romania and Moldova. Moldova's Russian-speaking mi-nority, who fear the republic's moves toward Romania might make them second-class citi-zens, have declared their own state on the east bank of the Dniester River.

Iranian planes attacked a rebel base inside Iraq. Page 6. Sam Walton, 74, the American retailing giant, died. Page 4. iscael's foreign minister will stay on. Page 6. American blacks debate the behavior of a few. Page 5. Business/Finance

Economic depression is cadangering free-market goals in the former Soviet bloc, a UN CLASSIFIEN study said. Page 9. General Motors faces tough odds to stay in business, its York Notebook, first install-

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ment of a weekly report from IHT correspondents. Page 9.

UN and Environment: Major Issues Unresolved

By Paul Lewis

UNITED NATIONS, New York - Representatives from more than 160 nations have agreed on a document that commits the industrial nations of the Northern Hemisphere to help poorer Southern countries develop in a way that will not damage the environment.

The document, in draft form, was the only full accord to come out of five weeks of UN negotiations in preparation for an international environmental conference in Rio de But three other major issues taken up in

Although the conference adopted portions of Agenda 21, a plan for cleansing the world's environment in the 21st century, disputes continue on how to pay for the clean-up, whether developing countries should have free access to new, environmentally sound technologies, and how to safeguard the world's forests. Discussion of these issues

Also an solved are two legally binding conventions — one on stabilizing climate, and the other on protecting the diversity of plant and animal life.

nations to several principles that have not been universally accepted before.

At its heart is an agreement that eradicating poverty is an "indispensable requirement for sustainable development."

The other main points are that those who pollute should bear the cost of cleaning up, that nations should guard against environ-mental the even if there are not estab-lished scientific reasons for precautions, that women have "a vital role in environmental management and development" and that while nations have a right to exploit their

a special responsibility to help poorer lands in environmentally safe ways.

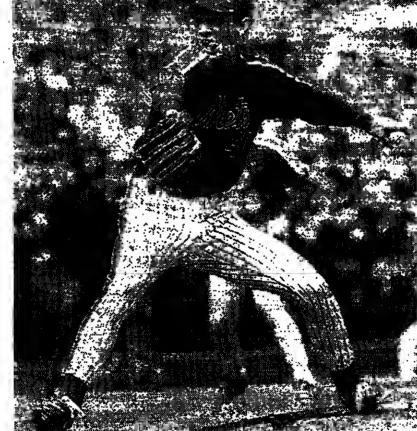
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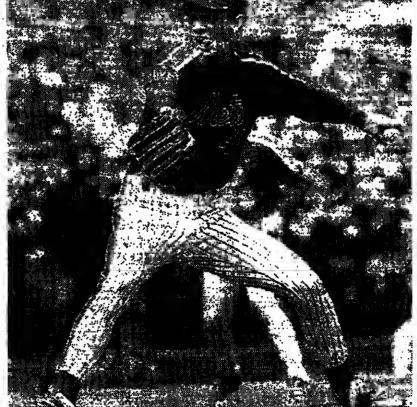
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By Paul F. Horvitz

A Final Warm-Up Before Baseball's **Opening Day**

Pete Schourek on the mound for the New York Mets at Shea Stadium on Sunday, facing the Yankees in a final exhibition game. The Yankees won, 6-5, handing the Mets their sixth straight loss in preseason play. As major league baseball prepared for Opening Day on Monday, the commissioner, Fay Vincent, discussed the global aspirations of America's "national pastime." (Page 2.) In both the National League East and West divisions, many teams have winning prospects for the season. (Page 14.).





Exit Shouting: Italy's Mercurial Cossiga as Vox Pop

By William Drozdiak

ROME - From his elegant perch at the Quirinal palace atop the highest of Rome's seven hills, which possdits now call The Vol-cano. President Francesco Cossina looks with bemused detachment at the political firestorm he has unleashed in the final phase

Italians voted Sunday and will continue to do so Monday in what some political analysis regard as one of the most important

beams with pride as he describes the populist cheers that his attacks on the system — he has referred to members of Parliament as zombies and imbeciles - have aroused from disaffected voters.

"People like the way I talk, because I represent something different from an old system that shows it can no longer function," said Mr. Cossiga, 63. "Do you realize that teenagers give parties in my honor at Rome's biggest discotheque, and that my speeches are used as rap music lyrics on records and

national elections of the postwar era, and
Mr. Cossiga's recent thunderbolts mark an
Mr. Cossiga, who will leave office in July,
extraordinary change in style.

When he was chosen by Parliament to bedeviled the state sector to the despair of become president in 1985, the white-haired common citizens. Sardinim legal scholar told friends that he aspired to serve his seven-year term with ignity and ceremonial aplomb.

Italy's head of state has the power to dissolve Parliament, name prime ministers and broker governing coalitions, but those tasks have traditionally been overwhelmed by the stuffier duties of protocol.

Mr. Cossiga was impeccably discreet in the initial phase of his presidency, but two years ago he began raging against the politi-cal establishment. Notably, he excoriated the waste, corruption and inefficiency that have

He dispanded Parliament in December and called for the current elections. Outraged politicians accused him of lapsing into paranoia or senility, but Mr. Cossiga refused to tone down his behavior. He sent 30 chocolate coins to a senator he felt had betrayed him, and he castigated the Republican Par-ty's leader for "spitting into the plate that

Mr. Cossiga's feuding with fellow Christian Democrats finally caused him to sever See ITALY, Page 5

Cuomo Calls for Party Peace

Democratic Candidates Need Economic Plan, He Affirms

International Herald Tribune WASHINGTON - Governor Marin M. Cuomo of New York scolded the Democratic presiden-

tial candidates Sunday, saying they should quickly join with congre-tional Democratic to present the nation with an economic action plan and stop quarreling over "stu-If the Democrats fail to do so, Mr. Coomo warned, voters will

turn in November to the incipient third-party candidacy of H. Ross Perot, the Texas billionaire. The heck with draft nntices, girlfriends, floozies," Mr. Cuomo

said. "Here we are. A plan for America. You'll win." You don't do that, and look out for Ross Perot," he said.

can gain enough signatures to place him on the ballot in all 50 states. He says he will spend \$100 million of his own money to finance a cam-

Mr. Cuomo's admonishment came in a televised interview two days before the pivotal New York primary, where the front-runner, Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas, is seeking to avoid a further unraveling of his claim to the Democratic comination. A loss to farmer Governor Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr. of California would heavily damage Mr. Clinton's plan to turn his fire on President George Bush.

Mr. Cuomo's comments Sunday provided no new insight into his

Mr. Perot, a maverick business-man, has said he will run as an independent this fall if his backers own political aspirations but served as a provocative analysis of the campaign. His central theme was that Americans are tired of the bickering that divided government has wrought in Washington, with a Democratic Congress and Republi-

can president.
Adding to the unpredication of the New York race, former Senator Paul E. Tsongas of Massachusetts said Sunday that he would "make an announcement" Wednesday about his candidacy.

Mr. Tsongas, who remains on the ballnt in New Ynrk even though he suspended his campaign last month, seemed to suggest that if Mr. Clinton stumbled, he would resume campaigning.
At the very least, the remark ap-

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'New Order' Discounts Arabs

By Youssef M. Ibrahim New York Times Service

PARIS — As they try to define their new rela-tionship with the United States and the rest of the West, Arabs are reaching the conclusion that they do not marter as much as they thought they did. With the disintegration of the Soviet Union and the defeat of Iraq, leaders of the Arab world find that they are no longer feared. Many Arabs say they are shocked to find that they are not respect-

ed, either. Their fears do not appear to be a delusion. The Bush administration has been persistent in getting Arabs and Israelis to sit down at peace talks, but it has not made public any comprehensive vision of a

policy toward the Middle East or Arab world.

U.S. diplomats say privately that the administration has returned to dealing with the Arabs country by country, an approach that assumes no urgent reason to do otherwise.

The sense in the Arab world that it has been marginalized was intensified by the treatment ac-corded Libya last week by the United States, Britain and France.

Acting through the United Nations Security

Council, the Western powers abtained economic sanctions designed to compel Libya to turn over to Western justice six Libyans accused in two air-plane bombings that killed a total of 441 people.

While there is hardly any admiration for the Libyans in the Arab world, the episode was seen as a demonstration of how little the West cared about the way the Arabs think, or how they see themselves. In the Arab view, the West paid only lip service to pleas from friends like Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia for more time to find a more concilia-

tory way out of the impasse. The 21-member Arab League tried to take charge of the issue, but was ignored.

"From our perspective this new world order translates into a combination of benign neglect for Arabs, punctuated with selective punishment, as we see with Iraq and Libya," Sherif Shobashi, chief European correspondent for the Egyptian oewspa-

per Al Ahram, commented. "It is a vengeful new order," he said, summing up a view that has predominated in the Arab press in the last few weeks.

Though they look at things from a different See ARABS, Page 6

The U.S. National Pastime Hopes to Be an International Hit

Francis T. (Fay) Vincent Jr. is the commissioner of major league baseball, which opens its season Monday. He spoke with Ian Thomsen of the International Herald Tribune about the global integration of America's "national pastime."

Q. The controversial bid by a Japanese usinessman to purchase the Seattle Mariners is under review by the major league owners. Do you imagine that some major league teams eventually will be controlled by foreign owners?

A. I don't know. I assume so, and 1 think that's a complicated question, whether there will be control of a team outside of North America, and under what circumstances. Those are the issues that are being evaluated.

O. How crucial is this decision? A. It's a first. Baseball has to have a view. It can't just ignore the possibility of someone from Europe or Latin America or South America or Japan controlling a franchise. Seattle is important in itself. but more important, this case will establish the precedent for the next five or six times this issue comes up, and I think Q. What are the goals for baseball beyond North America?

A. When I came to baseball in 1989, myself and Bart Giamatti, we put together a major strategy involving the develop-ment of baseball internationally. It en-tails three parts, the first of which is

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expansion of baseball as a playing sport, amateur baseball, Olympic baseball. We think baseball is a participation sport, and the more people playing it the better. The second is that we're expanding our television licensing around the world, and that's going well. The third is the licensing of baseball trademarks, hats and shirts and all sorts of material that carry baseball logos. The sale of those is going quite well.

O. Is it unrealistic to think that baseball could rival basketball in its world-

wide popularity? A. I don't know. I think there are parts of the world where baseball is powerful and basketball is not. Japan is one. Parts of Latin America. Baseball is growing. I think, very rapidly. It's played in 71

Association refused to approve a twogame exhibition in Barcelona last month between the St. Louis Cardinals and a team of Japanese stars, it was canceled with just three weeks' notice. Do you anticipate similar problems in your at-tempts to broaden baseball in Europe?

A. Yes, unfortunately we had a major setback. We had an exhibition game scheduled in Barcelona, and then the Players Association backed out at the last minute. I think what it's going to come down to is we're going to have to establish a way of developing the business either with the Players Association or else

Q. How could major league baseball be publicized without the players? A. We don't have to have tours; the only thing critical to involving the players is the tours. Or if we do have them, we use minor league players, amateur players, retired players. If they're going to be doing these things, pulling out at the last minute of agreements, then we'll just

have to have licensing.

The biggest effect is, I don't know that

the tour, and then have the Players Asso-ciation decide that they're not going to go — it's just not a way to go about doing things. It's not major in a financial sense, because it's not a lot of money. But it's very hard to build a business under these circumstances. It's another example where labor relations interferes with the

Q. Now that baseball is an Olympic sport, how important is it to the reputation of American baseball that the U.S. team be dominant, much as U.S. teams dominated the formative years of Olym-

development of a business.

A. I think the American team is going to be very competitive. There are some very strong teams in the tournament. The Cuban team is very strong: I think the Japanese team is very strong. Baseball is somewhat different from basketball in

Q. How would you compare your leagues with the professional league in Japan?

countries as it is. I think it's going to be a we can plan to do things like our tours to M. First of all it's a very good league in Japan any longer. If we're going to have Q. When the Major League Players people commit and make major plans for ago, and the Japanese won the first three games. It was a difficult situation, shortly after the season, and I think our guys weren't at their peak. But they're very good, and they play at a very fine level.

Q. What are the chances of seeing a true world series between the United States and Japan?

A. We think about it from time to time, and we talk about it, but it's very difficult. The reason is, once you finish the World Series, the American ballplayers have played a long season. To tell them you want them to play at another level, to compete again, that's very difficult.

Q. You have long decried the designated hitter rule, but, realistically, what are the chances of its ever being discarded?

A. I think it will go at some point, just by its own sheer weight. It's wrong. It confuses the game. I hope we can get rid of it. I don't see it happezing anytime

Q. Will the Red Sox ever win a World

A. Yes. I say yes. Q. Yeah, right.

Noriega Trial: Not Up to Its Billing, and the Jury Takes Over

MIAMI - Following the resolution of a last-minute legal dispute. the fate of Manuel Antonio Noriega, the lormer "maximum leader" of Panama who has spent the last two years as a prisoner in a jail cell here, bas at last been placed in the hands of a U.S. jury.

But the volume of evidence and the complexity of the case make it difficult to predict whether the U.S. government will ultimately succeed in keeping him locked up for the

rest of his life. "In terms of interest, various problems, hard work and frustra-tion, this case is No. 1," Judge Wil-

liam M. Hoeveler said Saturday. Visibly relieved that the charges of cocaine trafficking, racketeering and money laundering against Mr. Noriega were now up to others to deal with, he described the sevenmonth trial as a demanding test of the U.S. legal system because of the personalities and issues involved.

Haggling continued through Sat-urday morning, more than 12 hours

after the charges had Iormally been handed over to the jury.

At an unusual hearing before

Judge Hoeveler, prosecution and defense lawyers lought over which version of the indictment should he submitted to the jury, with Mr. Noriega himself getting into the act to remind the judge that the charges against him "led to fire, blood and tears between two coun-

The dispute delayed the start of deliberations by keeping the jury from having a copy of an indict-ment on which to base its decision. After hearing arguments, Mr. Hoeveler made a compromise ruling that he described as "a bit of babysplitting," removing two counts that had been dropped before the trial began but retaining all other

In many respects, the first trial of s foreign bead of state in a U.S. courtroom failed to live up to the predictions made for it when when its failure to remove Saddam Hus-Mr. Noriega gave himself up to U.S. military authorities in Panama Hundreds of Panamamians and

The best

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areas of U.S. foreign policy than damage what prosecutors described as "just nation. another drug case," albeit one with an unusually prominent defendant. Virtually without exception, de-

fense efforts to introduce evidence that would show Mr. Noriega worked closely with — and was supported by — U.S. military and intelligence agencies for much of his career were rebuffed on grounds of national security or irrelevance to the 10 counts of co- and drug trafficking. caine trafficking, money launder-ing and racketeering with which the Panamanian leader bas been charged.

Nevertheless, an acquittal of Mr. Noriega, who would face as much as 160 years in prison if convicted of all charges, would he a significant embarrassment for the Bush administration, which is already under strack in an election year for

two dozen Americans died in the

In the end, the trial proved to be December 1989 invasion of Pana-less an examination of the darkest ma, and more than \$1 billion in the trial itself, such as the legal damages were inflicted on the tiny

And with a witness list that ranged from Carlos Lehder Rivas, one of the founders of the Medellin cocaine cartel, to Admiral Daniel Murpby, who was chief of staff for Vice President George Bush during the Reagan administration, the trial could not help but provide bizarre juxtapositions that brought together the worlds of statecraft

Regardless of its outcome, the Noriega case is sure to provide legal scholars fodder for years to

basis for trying a foreign head of state taken into custody as part of a U.S. military invasion and who claims to be a prisoner of war, are likely to be raised on appeal if Mr. Nonlega is convicted.

Then there was the government's novel argument that the Sixth Amendment right to a fair trial does not protect foreigners "until they are in the jurisdiction of the

United States." Until the Panamanian leader arrived in Miami, they contended, he was in a "nonconstitutional rela-tionship" with the U.S. lawyers he hired after be was first indicted in

February 1988, and therefore not entitled to lawyer-client secrecy and other rights guaranteed to Americans charged with crimes.

Perhaps most controversial of all was the prosecution's reliance on a score of witnesses, convicted of drug trafficking and money-laun-dering offenses, who agreed to testify against Mr. Noriega in hopes of receiving reduced sentences

The chief defense counsel, Frank A. Rubino, reminded jurors that some of the witnesses had also been allowed to keep drug earnings or been given legal immigrant status as part of their agreements with the

Pennsylvania case that imposes restrictions on abortions. People on both sides of the issue believe the court will use that case to undermine or even overturn Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 decision that made abortion legal in the United States. The National Organization for Women, which organized the march, said it expected 300,000 to 700,000 people to take part. Although Park Police gave an early estimate of 30,000 people, the crowd was several TRAVEL UPDATE

Air Traffic Resumes in Philippines

WORLD BRIEFS

French Discontent at 46%, Poll Finds

PARIS (AP) — As the government of Prime Minister Pierre Bérégovoy began its first week, a poll made public on Sunday showed 46 percent of the French were already disappointed. Mr. Bérégovoy amounced his cabinet-level ministers Thursday, when he was appointed, and named his junior ministers on Saturday. He is to make his first policy speech to the

A poll the Journal du Dimanche showed that 46 percent of those

A post the Journal on Dimantane surveit that to percent of those questioned said they were disappointed in the new government's composition; 40 percent said they were satisfied.

The poll, questioning 995 people 18 or older, asked whether the government indicated that President François Mitterrand had "heard the warning the French sent him in the last elections." The response was 47

Liberia Peace Talks Set for Geneva

MONROVIA, Liberia (Reuters) — Efforts to end Liberia's civil war

shift to Europe on Monday when African presidents and the country's two rival leaders meet in Geneva to try to put a crumbling peace page

After more than two years, fighting rages on among a shifting kalcido-scope of Liberian militias. A regional accord thrashed out in October in

scope of Liberian militias. A regional accord thrashed out in October in lyory Coast is in tatters, as the main rebel leader, Charles Taylor, fights off a new guerrilla force called ULIMO, which invaded from Sterra Leone weeks before the pact was signed.

The driving force behind the Geneva meeting is the Ivory Coast president, Félix Houphouët-Bolgny. Amos Sawyer. Liberia's intering president in Mourrovia, has said he will attend, and rebel radio announced that Mr. Taylor would make the trip. The Senegalese president, Abdon Diouf, and Burkino Faso's leader, Captain Blaise Compaore, one of Mr. Taylor's main backers, are also expected.

Mandelas Reported to Be Separating

Mr. Mandela has been flercely loyal to his controversial wife since his

Mr. Mandela has been nercely loyal to his controversal wife since his release in 1990 after 27 years in prison. He has told friends that she stood by him and that he would do the same for her. Mrs. Mandela and a former confidente were convicted on kidnapping and assault charges last year and sentenced to six years in jail. They are free on bail pending appeals.

U.S. Marchers Defend Abortion Law

WASHINGTON (AP) - Thousands of abortion-rights demonstrators

marched on the U.S. capital on Sunday to show political muscle that they hoped would sway politicians and a conservative Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court is scheduled to hear arguments April 22 on a

National Assembly this week.

percent "yes" and 47 percent "no."

back on course.

MANILA (AFP) — Limited air traffic resumed in the Philippines on Sunday as the government moved to punish striking controllers who caused a backlog that stranded about 5,000 passengers, officials said. Domestic and international services were operating at about 60 percent capacity as military controllers handled civilian aircraft, officials at the

The strike took effect Saturday. Air controllers want the government to privatize the service by turning it over to their association, which they said would improve their salaries.

Airline service in Australia was headed for disruption for the second time in three days as refuelers and tanker drivers were set for a 14-hour strike at midnight Sunday over salary payments. Domestic and international flights were chaotic Friday, when refuelers in Sydney walked out before the planned national strike.

Garmin Indonesian Airways has started weekly service from Denpasar, Bali, to Munich, according to the Antara news agency. It quoted a Garuda spokesman as saying that the Thursday flights would make stops m Medan, North Sumatra and Abu Dhabi.

The Gulf endrate of Alsu Dhabi will spend the equivalent of \$111 = million to expand its airport, which was built in 1982 at a cost of \$408 = = million. The project will include a new runway and an enlarged main

This Week's Holidays

Banking and government offices will be closed or services curtailed in the following countries and their dependencies this week because of national and religious holidays:

MONDAY: Ethiopia, Singapore, South Africa, Sudan, Thailand.

Europe

TUESDAY: Mozambique. THURSDAY: Tunisia. FRIDAY: Liberia, Nepal.

The Weather

North America

SATURDAY: Costa Rica, Nepai.

Source: J.P. Morgan, Reuters.

THAI GENERAL IS PROPOSED AS LEADER - General Suchinda Kraprayoon, left, at a ceremony Sunday in Bangkok with the air force chief, Kaset Rojanamil. The general was proposed for the prime ministership by a five-party coalition. The key contender, Narong Wongwan, bowed out under pressure after U.S. suggestions of involvement in drug trafficking.

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Laundered Cash From Leather Bags

Japan-France Drug Ring Said to Trade in Luxury Goods

ed in a crackdown on a Japanese-French network that was suspected of laundering drug money through the purchase and resale of luxury

Police sources, speaking Sunday on condition of anonymity, said a Japanese crime syndicate had organized the five networks to buy Louis Virition and Hermes feather 200ds, scarves and other products lor resale in Japan.

"It is a classic way of recycling dirty money without attracting the attention of authorities," the head of the investigation said.

The network bosses placed classified ads in a Paris neighborhood newspaper to recruit buyers, who were given cash to make their pur-

curb soaring birthrates that con-

tribute to poverty and to environ-

The declaration, which was

adopted Saturday, emerged out of a long and bitter North-South po-

litical struggle that dominated the

At first, the negotiators hoped to draft an Earth Charter, which the

industrial nations saw as a relative-

ly short statement, committing all

in visionary language to safeguard the world's natural inheritance.

But developing nations insisted on a more detailed, pragmatic doc-

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CLEANUP: Compromise at UN

PARIS — Nearly 100 people, including a high-ranking French customs official, have been arrest-

estly dressed clients went shopping at the chic Vintton and Hermes boutiques, making their purchases with crisp 500 franc notes, often with consecutive serial numbers.
At least 400 million francs (\$73

million) passed through the network over three years, the police said. The money was transferred through banks in Luxembourg, Switzerland, France and the island of Jersey to the network bosses. More than 15 million francs was

ordered frozen in an unknown number of Paris banks after the arrests, the police said. Most of the arrests were made March 30, when the police picked up 15 network bosses and about 80 buyers. Those arrested included Japa-nese, Chinese and Vietnamese, as

their development safely.

its Arab allies.

pollution" of the text by the Pales-

tine Liberation Organization and

But this dispute was put aside,

"The declaration captures the

middle ground between the North's

concern with cleaning up the envi-

ronment and the South's concern

with continuing its economic devel-

opment," a Western diplomat said.

Developing countries appeared particularly pleased with the final text, seeing it as a victory for their

view that any general statement of

environmental principles must also

address their development needs.

and the conference approved the compromise draft by acclamation.

chases, the police said. About 300 well as naturalized French citizens of Asian origin, the police said. The only native-born Frenchman involved in the scheme, they said, was identified as Joël Dumont, a customs official at Charles de Ganile Airport, who provided stamps and documents for exporting the merchandise.

The police also seized 2,500 Viritton and Hermès products worth 7 million francs, plus 2.5 million

The investigation began in December, when the police were tipped off that dozens of Asians had been seen going in and out of a building near the Place de la Madeleine carrying large numbers of Vintton bags.

The bags were exported to Japan for resale at a discount in Tokyo department stores. Vuitton's policy is to sell only through small shops.

UN Group Is Set To Accelerate ament that would force the North to take responsibility for the Ozone Protection world's environmental difficulties

and promise to help them continue At the last moment, Israel threatened to prevent unanimous approval of the declaration, argung that a reference to safeguarding the natural resources of "people under oppression, domination and occupation constituted "political

This would help limit solar damage to crops, skin, eyes, immune systems and the oceans' food

meeting starting Monday, govern-ments will be asked to propose and tentatively agree to changes in the 1987 Montreal Protocol, which sought to limit ozone damage. "All the new science points to

the fact that they need to do some-thing pretty fast," said Adam Markham of the Swiss-based World Wide Fund for Nature. Officials said they were sure the

industrialized nations would agree to end the use of certain chemicals

GENEVA - Environmental officials meeting in Geneva this week say expert opinion is virtually unanimous that chemicals destroying ozone must be phased out much more quickly than originally

At a 10-day United Nations

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JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — The African National Congress declined to give details Sunday on a report that its president, Nelson Mandela, and his wife, Winnie, were to separate. The Sunday Times of London quoted senior ANC sources as saying that the separation would be amounced shortly and that Mrs. Mandela would leave the ANC and retire from politics.

"I don't think it would be proper for the ANC to comment on these matters," said the ANC information director, Pallo Jordan. "Mr. and Mrs. Mandela are entitled to a private life."

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"Who's Cinton's running mate?"
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By R. W. Apple Jr.

NEW YORK - For one of the

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sumptive nominee by the politi-

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In recent presidential years, the New York balloting has come too late to have much impact, especially now that the system has

been so heavily "front-loaded," with New Hampshire, Georgia, Maryland, the "Super Tuesday" rate occasions in its short, noisy and not very distinguished history, the New York presidential pristates in the South and elsewhere and the big Midwestern industrial states, Michigan and Illinois, all many could count for a lot on woting during the campaign's first

For N.Y., a Rare Bit of Clout

Primary Outcome Can Break, or Remake, Clinton

Those early tests expose the candidates to a variety of electorates, drain most of their money and account for more than half the delegates. As a result of the stams he enjoyed before voters' timetable, plus the contrarmess of second thoughts and three the New York electorate, the primary here has often provided a last lift for hopefuls destined to

> New York's primary lacks roots in the Progressive tradition of the early 20th century. Unlike those in Wisconsin, New Hampshire and California, it came into being only recently, and only when par-ty leaders here could no longer block it. So in 1960, John F. Kennedy counted on the bosses to deliver New York.

> In 1968, that extraordinary year of insurgency and rebellion, New York's primary took place on June 18, well after California's. Eugene J. McCarthy's delegate slates beat those pledged to the eventual nominee, Hubert H. Humphrey, and to Robert F. Kennedy, who had just been assassi-

> Four years later, the primary still consisted only of delegate contests, with no presidential preference poll. That system had made it easier for the leadership to decide how the delegation would vote at national conventions. The voting was so late that there was no effective opposition to George S. McGovern left, and he won almost all the state's delegates.

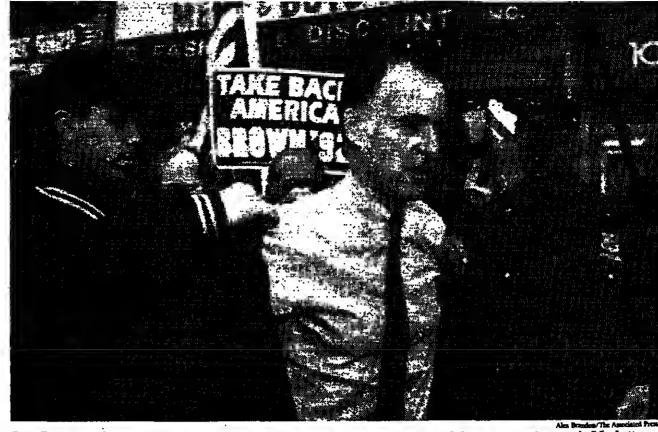
Then came reform. For 1976 New York's primary was moved to April 6 and the candidates'

in 1968, the winner was a candidate headed for defeat, Henry M. Jackson. Jimmy Carter, the eventual nominee, ran strongly only in parts of the suburbs and upstate.

In 1980, for the first time, the state had a full-fledged presidential primary, with delegates awarded in precise proportion to popular votes won. Once again, the New York winner was a candidate who won in few other places that year. But this time it was a figure on the left of the party, Edward M. Kennedy.

New York was an important if not a decisive state for Walter F. Mondale in 1984, demonstrating his appeal to two of the core Dem ocratic constituencies, Jews and minorities. In 1988, likewise, Michael S. Dukakis gamed ground in New York, knocking Al Gore out of the coutest here.

The results four years ago and this year would have been vastly different, in all probability, had the state's governor, Mario M. Cuomo, decided to run. But he did



Jerry Brown, the Democratic presidential hopeful, putting on a jacket he bought for \$40 during a campaign stop in Manhattan.

New Questions Arise on Clinton and the Military Draft in '69

By Dan Balz

ton Post Service NEW YORK - Bill Clinton has acknowledged receiving a draft induction notice in the spring of 1969, at least three months before he joined an army reserve program that helped keep him out of the service during the

The Associated Press, raises new questions about his credibility on an issue that earlier damaged his bid for the Democratic presiden-

His top advisers said Sunday that the existence of the induction notice was already on the public record, but they could not substantiate that, Mr. Clinton's new statement offered a different account of his draft history than he had previously provided.
"Governor Clinton recalls re-

ceiving an induction notice while at Oxford, in late April 1969," the mail and arrived after the induction date. Governor Clinton immediately sought guidance from his local draft board about the induction date that had passed.

Mr. Clinton escaped military He asked whether he could finish his current term at Oxford. As was routine procedure, the request was granted and his induction was postponed. Governor Clinton The campaign issued the statecompleted the spring term and returned to the United States in late

June or early July." The statement continues: "In mid-July, he joined the ROTC Colonel Eugene Holmes. He was reclassified 1-D. In the fall of 1969, he voluntarily gave up his 1-D classification and was reclassi-

service when he received a high number, 311, in the first draft lottery, in December 1969.

ment clarifying Mr. Clinton's draft record after the disclosure of a letter purportedly written by a Little Rock lawyer, who claimed the induction notice.

Jackson, heads an organization opposed to the Clinton candidacy. Mr. Clinton has never acknowl-

edged that he received an induc-

tion notice, although he has never denied it either. Last December he was asked how he had managed to remain 1-A — eligible for induction - for well over a year between 1968 and 1969 without being drafted. "I was just lucky,"

Mr. Clinton acknowledged during the earlier controversy about his draft record that he joined the ROTC program because he knew he was at risk of being drafted in the fall of 1969. This is the first time he has acknowledged that he faced induction far earlier and had been allowed to put it off.

U.S. Denies Tokyo View Of Moscow Aid Plan

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Senior administration officials vigorously asserted over the weekend that Japan had agreed in advance with the size and timing of the \$24 billion aid package for Russia announced last week by President George Bush. Japanese officials have denied

doing so.

The officials said Japanese Finance Ministry officials attended a meeting in Paris late last month where the Group of Seven industrial nations, according to the Americans, agreed to an aid package to helo Russia.

That the Japanese have been on the sidelines is absolutely untrue," a senior American official said They were aware of everything

that's going on."

American officials also rebuffed the Japanese charge that the announcement had been premature, saying all the Group of Seven na-tions knew the importance of unveiling a package that backed President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia before a parliament hostile to his economic changes convened this

The Japanese deputy finance minister was part of the discussions," another senior official said. "They understand the stakes. They understand the importance of the

Several Japanese officials said Friday that there was no agreement on an overall aid package.

"As far as our government knows, there has been no agreement on this package," a Japanese policymaker said. "These figures are extremely new to us. It was inappropriate to announce them."

The Japanese criticism has lent support to assertions that the Bush administration timed the announcements to gain advantage in the presidential campaign. The package that Mr. Bush an-

nounced last week includes \$6 bilhon for a ruble stabilization fund, \$2.5 billion in deferred debt payments and \$4.5 billion from the International Monetary Fund and other international organizations. The plan also calls for \$11 billion in direct aid from individual nations.

Vatican Link to Mongolia

The Associated Press VATICAN CITY - The Vatican announced Saturday that it had established diplomatic relations with Mongelia.

Vietnam War. to have been a friend at the time, The Arkansas governor's statement, issued at his Little Rock program at the University of Arthat said Mr. Clinton had received kansas under the previously regovernor's statement said. "The headquarters after inquiries from notice had been sent by surface ported arrangement he made with The author of the letter, Cliff

Frustrated at Cleaning Up Their House, Many Lawmakers Clear Out By Adam Clymer

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Redistricting, frustration with legislative gridlock and worries over scandals both real and imagined are causing more members of the House of we walk resumed in the Pelips Representatives to choose to leave

than at any time within memory.

Labour 1996 per series finds. So far, 44 of the House's 435. were operator, it should members have said that they will handled crystal action not seek re-election, with 32 retirements ing from politics outright and 12 leaving to seek other offices. And more are expected to follow in the next few weeks as new districting maps become final and filing dead-lines approach. The previous high in outright re-

the previous night in outright re-1958, was 30 in 1974. And the record for voluntary departures of all kinds since World War II appears to be 49, set in 1978.

peared calculated to encourage New York voters disillusioned with

Mr. Clinton and Mr. Brown to cast

When New Yorkers vote Tues-

day, 244 delegates to the party con-

vention will be apportioned. Kan-

sas and Wisconsin also hold primaries Tresday. Mr. Clinton has just over half the delegates he

Calling the federal government.
"a disaster," Mr. Cuomo proposed

that the Democratic candidates hold discussions with the two top

Democrats in Congress, Thomas S.
Foley of Washington, the House
speaker, and George J. Mitchell of
Maine, the Senate majority leader.
Mr. Coordo said Mr. Foley and

Mr. Mitchell should "sit down with Bill Clinton and Jerry Brown right now and say, 'Here are the five bills

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Press Gallery records going back to ents believe the lawmakers are ties.

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half the public says legislators covfor their lawmakers, it can be too
get projects for constituents.

"We are struggling just to find chusetts Democrat who is leaving money. In fact, the deposits made much.

sus always spurs retirements, and lawmakers from Illinois to Florida have cited it as their reason for leaving. But for many others it of-fers an additional, subtler reason to

least some strangers in a reshaped district lends impetus to the temptation to end a career increasingly

gress to pass laws that seek to solve major problems, a compound of budget deficits and the stalemates between a Republican president and Democratic lawmakers, bothers representatives from both par-

When added to a hectic lifestyle

to leave this year. A handful of departing lawmakers are expected some to take their campaign trea-

that have become common. for dissatisfaction.

who is going to resume a small-

There is also a modest incentive money to keep defense and Medicare and Medicaid going," he said. Lawrence Coughlin, a Pennsylvania Republican leaving after 23 years, was equally frustrated, but he said this was because "the Republicans have been more and

> on the floor of the House. Age is another obvious consideration. Fourteen of the 32 retirees are 65 or older. But the arguments that the time had come to do something else came as readily from lawmakers in their 40s as in their 70s.

them from offering amendments

ing from Columbus, Ohio, to Washington each week since 1967 had left his wife alone a lot and denied him the chance to see his grandchildren Dennis E. Eckart, 41, an Ohio

Mr. Wylie, 71, said that commut-

more shut out of the legislative pro-Democrat who in September becess' by procedural rules that keep came the House's first announced retiree, said a major reason for leaving was that he was not spending time with his wife and 12-yearold son.

"I found I was making too many decisions on the telephone instead of over the kitchen table," he said, adding that this was a better time

10 years from now. But each said that the legislative reality of the House mattered a lot,

for him to start a new career than

Mr. Wylic, the senior Republi-can on the House Banking Committee, saw no chance that the Republicans would win a majority in the next house and be able to make him chairman

And Mr. Eckart said the other crucial reason for him was that although he came to Washington with an agenda, "There's no money in government anymore to do any-

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we guarantee you we will pass when you're president — here's our plan for America." Mr. Coomo dismissed any possibility of a brokered convention when the Democratic delegates meet in New York in mid-July to select the nominee. For him to enter the race now, he said, "would he nothing but disruptive." After Tuesday, the candidates

face major primaries April 28 in Pennsylvania, May 5 in Indiana, North Carolina and Ohio, and June 2 in California and New Jersey. On Saturday, Mr. Cuomo had high praise for Mr. Clinton, saying he presumed the Arkansas gover-nor would win the party nomination and would make an "excellent

in a televised candidate forum on Sunday, Mr. Clinton said his wife, Hillary, had made a "mistake" last week when she commentod to a journalist during an interview about rumors from past paigns that President George h might have had a mistress.

Mrs. Clinton argued in the internew that there was a double standard applied to her husband concerning extramarital affairs because the "establishment" had shielded Mr. Bush from inquiries into similar rumors. In 1988, Mr. Bush was dogged by persistent ru-mors in Washington that he had had a longtime relationship with a female aide; the rumor was never

On Sunday, Mr. Clinton said it Was a mistake for his wife to discuss rumors in public but that she had thought her remarks were not for

after seven two-year terms, put it by other members covered the simply for many of his departing colleagues when he said. "Why go through the hassle of running from airport to airport and you're still not getting anything done?"

The House bank scandal is an obvious concern for some departing lawmakers, like Ohioans Edward F. Feighan, a Democrat, and Chalmers P. Wylie, a Republican. Mr. Feighan was on the list of 22 members who wrote hundreds of checks without having the money in their accounts to pay for them, while Mr. Wylie acknowledges that he is among the more than 300 other curient and former members

Others complain that constitu-

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filled with frustrations. The growing inability of Con-

mitted, citing last week's New York and heckling from talk show hosts

to take advantage of a legal provision expiring this year that allows suries home with them. Most of those eligible have said they will not take the money. But the general tone of retirement statements and recent inter-

views conveys a clear, bipartisan consensus that the primary reason for leaving is that the job is not as satisfying as it used to be and not satisfying enough to justify the constant travel, late nights, missed family dinners and frequent abuse Democrats and Republicans

have different reasons, nonetheless.

Ed Jenkins, a Georgia Democrat

Condemns Dramatic Increase in Executions, Terrorist Activities by Rafsanjani's Government

EP deplores foiled plot by mullahs' regime to assassinate Mr. Massoud Rajavi, Leader of Iranian Resistance

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

March 12, 1992

A. having regard to its resolution of 18 April 1991 on buman rights in Iran, condemning the flagrant violations of human rights in Iran and the terrorist activities directed by the Iranian regime in Europe,

B. deeply concerned at the dramatic increase in officially announced and public executions and the arrest of 298,112 people during 1991.

particular on 12 December 1991, D. whereas human rights violations in Iran also take the form of ethnic and sexist

E. deploring the continuing increase in the Iranian regime's terrorist activities outside Iran, through its diplomatic missions and in particular the foiled plot to assassinate Mr. Massoud Rajavi, the Leader of the Iranian Resistance. F. appaled at the harassment of the Swiss diplomatic corps in Teberan by the Rafsanjani regime in response to the arrest of an Iranian embassy employee in

Bern for apparent involvement in terrorist activities, G. concerned at the continued imposition of the death penalty on Salman Rushdie, decreed by Khomeini and upheld by Khameneii and Rafsanjani,

Calls upon the Foreign Ministers meeting in European Political Cooperation to condemn the severe and systematic violations of human rights in Iran, in particular the increasing number of extrajudicial executions and arbitrary mass arrests of discontented citizens who have taken part in demonstration and

Session of the U.N. Human Rights Commission, condemning the human rights abuses in Iran and Calling for the monitoring of the buman rights situation to be Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the President-in-Office of the

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RESOLUTION B3-0317/92 on the violation of human rights in Iran

The European Parliament.

C. deeply concerned over the arrest of many witnesses and victims of the violations of human rights who tried to testify to the ICRC in Teheran in recent months, in

discrimination, particularly reflected in the marginalization of women in terms of access to education and employment,

2. Draws attention to the question also tabled by the EEC group to the forty-eighth

Council, to EPC, to the Secretary General of the United Nations and the Chairman of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights, requesting the Council to give special attention to the deteriorating situation in Iran.

Bosnians Call for Cease-Fire Before EC Vote on Recognition

BELGRADE (AP) - Leaders of Bosnia-Herzegovina's Muslims. Serbs and Croats on Sunday appealed for a cease-fire to stop ethnic violence that claimed up to 100 lives in less than e week.

At least eight people were killed and 30 wounded Sunday in the Bosnian capital, Sarajevo, where snipers fired on thousands of peace demonstrators, a Sarajevo editor

munity decision on whether to recognize the independence of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

pected to consider recognition of Bosnia at e meeting in Brussels on

Muslims and Croats, who to-

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As the shooting continued, com- month that touched off a space of batants awaited a European Com- violence that has since spread through the republic. Serbs, a third of the population, oppose independence. Last week, they began set-ting up their own local authorities

and police forces. Sarajevo televisioo showed people scattering in froot of parliament as snipers opened fire from gether make up 60 percent of Bos- the oearhy Holiday Inn hotel, used nie's 4.4 million people, voted for as a command center by Serb miliindependence in a referendum last tants. But people later regrouped their appeal for an end to all firing.

and continued marching through the city center. By 8 P.M., violence in the capital

had subsided, a journalist said. Bosnie's president, Alija Izetbegovic, a Muslim, and leaders of Bosnia's Croats and Serbs appeared on Sarajevo televisioo with the federal military commander for Bosnia, Lieutenant General Milutin Kokanjac, during the reading of

ing forces, General Satish Nambiar of India, the Tanjug press agency reported

The 14,000 peacekeepers, to be fully deployed by April 25, are assigned to keep separate the warring sides in neighboring Croatia, but are headquartered in Sarajevo.

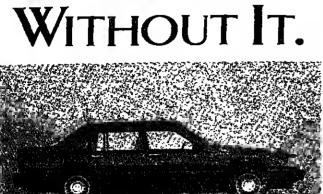
The first infantry units of an eventual 14,000-member United miles) from Sarajevo.

The three leaders later met the commander of the UN peacekeeping forces, General Satish Nambiar

Nations peacekeeping force arrived in Croatia on Saturday. The f,200 French soldiers who made up the initial force were expected to head for the southern Croatian region of

Sarajevo airport was closed earlier in the day, Tanjug reported. Ra-dio Sarajevo reported that the main road between Sarajevo and Belgrade was blown up by Muslim forces near Pale, 10 kilometers (6

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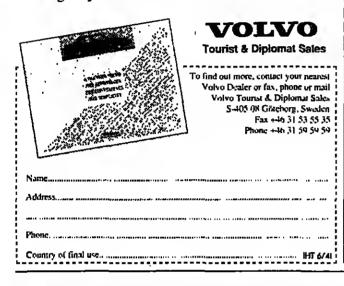
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BRISTOL, England — On the eastern edge of this bustling industrial city, in a homogenous collec-tion of tidy row houses and semi-deteched homes koown as Kingswood, electoral disaster is hrewing for Prime Minister John Major and the governing Conser-

vative Party.
Phillip Jones owned a booming home-improvement business with five employees until the recession closed him down six months ago and put them all out of work. In 1987, when business was thriving, he voted for Margaret Thatche and the Tories. This time around, he said, he is returning to his roots and voting Labor in the general election Thursday.

Recent polls conducted here suggest that Mr. Jones is oot alone.
"It's the working people who
make up the better part of the country," he said. "It's the working people who voted the Tories in, and we're the ones that will vote them

Kingswood is a haven of the "C-2" voter. The C-2s get their nickname from a subcategory in e British demographic survey, which classified them as skilled or semiskilled workers with lower-middleclass incomes.

The people who live here are laborers who own their homes and hold jobs in defense- or transportetioo-related industries. They boast of working-class roots and middle-class values. Thirteen years ago, they began turning away from the Labor Party, their traditional political home, and helped sweep Mrs. Thatcher and the Conservatives into power.

Now they are coming back to Labor. Polls suggest that C-2s throughout Britain are turning away from the Tories in response to the country's punishing economic the list of "marginal" districts they currently hold, they will slip just below the number of seats they oced to maintain coourol of the 651-seat House of Commons.

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Most of all, whether or not they care for the new, more moderate look of Neil Kinnock's Labor Parafter 13 years of Tory rule, Labor's Kinnock. Nor do questions of ide-

sense that the government has ne- estimates that British Aerospace glected such public institutions as the highly revered National Health Service and the schools system. and Rolls-Royce, the area's two largest employers, have laid off 5,000 of their 18,000 workers in the last two years.

When discussing how they in tend to vote, people here only occaty, many voters seem to believe that sionally mention Mr. Major or Mr.

'It's the working people who voted the Tories in, and we're the ones that will vote them out.

An unemployed home builder

campaign slogan rings true: "It's Time for a Change."

Kingswood is an ideal place to watch the pendulum swing. In statistical terms, it is the hinge seat for the Conservatives - if they lose Kingswood, which ranks 52d on unemployment rate all faithfully their neighbors well and attend church on Sunday.

In the 1980s, Bristol and Kingswood prospered, thanks in part to a boom in defense spending. But the double hlow of recession and defense cutbacks has taken a harsh toll. Unemployment has doubled in the past two years, and Robert Hayward, the Conservative incum-

ology or the style of the campaigns seem to matter much. What they do talk about is unemployment, the neighbor whose house was repossessed or the teenager down the street who cannot get into a training course or find e job.

They also still talk about Mrs. Thatcher and the poll tax, the highly unpopular system of per-head local taxation that she introduced and that helped lead to her political demise 17 months ago. One of Mr. Major's early acts was to repeal the tax, but that measure does not take full effect for another year. In the meantime, like fresh salt in an old wound, a oew batch of poll-tax bills has just arrived in local mailboxes.

den of popular disaffection is Mr. Hayward, 43, an articulate, ebul-lient legislator who is unusually well known locally. His politics are e blend of fiscal conservatism and social liberalism very similar to those of Prime Minister Major.

Mr. Hayward said he was surprised to have won the seat by a narrow margin nine years ago, and stunned when he tripled that margin in 1987. But personal populari-ty and the powers of incumbency count for little in the parliamentary system, whose voters are choosing the party they want in power more than an individual representative. ■ Strong Labor Polls

Mr. Major's grip oo power looked increasingly shaky on Sun-day, four days before the general ction. Renters reported from

The latest opinion polls indicated that Mr. Major and the Conservatives were still trailing the Labor

The polls suggested a narrow Labor victory or an inconclusive result leaving a "hung parliament," with no party in the majority.

A Gallup/Sunday Telegraph
poll said backing for the Liberal
Democrats had climbed to 22 per-

cent from 15 percent in a month. It put Conservative support et 37.5 percent, down from 41, with Labor also at 37.5, down one.

A Killing in Panama Is Leading Japanese To Question Ransoms

By Steven R. Weisman New York Times Service

TOKYO — Japanese were shocked over reports of the abduction and slaying of a Japanese businessman in Panama early in March. The episode, the 10th killing of a Japanese citizen overseas this year, was a fresh reminder of the perils of traveling and living abroad.

But as fresh details of the kidnapping have come to light, criticism is being raised about whether the government in Tokyo is doing enough to help its citizens overseas, and whether bungling and delays

in the latest episode may invite more attacks.

The focus of the criticism is the report that while the victim Takashi Ota of Citizen Trading Co., was abducted on March 14 neither the company nor the Japanese government notified the Panamanian authorities until March 20, after a ransom of \$750,000

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said the delay in notifying the Panamanian authorities came after a "strong request" by the company and the victim's family. "We respected their wish," he said.

Although the Japanese government officially opposes paying ransom in terrorism incidents, Japanese companies have often paid ransom in the past, citing the enormous emotional pressure from

families and employees. "I hate to see this happen again, but it will," said Atsuyuki Sassa, a security consultant who was director of security affairs for the government. This payment of ransom will encourage gangaters in every South American country to treat Japanese as easy targets." Mr. Sassa said that Japanese had been too naive in traveling

overseas, blithely assuming that because their country does not bear arms against any enemies in the world, they do not have to protect themselves. That attitude is rapidly changing, he said. Many details of the kidnapping are murky, partly because Citizen Trading Co., which markets watches and machinery, has declined to comment on the case. But according to news reports, the Panamani an authorities now say that Mr. Ota was actually killed the day after

he was abducted. The ransom, the reports say, was thus delivered after he was alsin, with apparently no ettempt to find out the victim's condition before it was paid. Only after it was paid, and Mr. Ota failed to turn up, were the Panamanian authorities notified. His body was not found

At first there was only speculation about the identity of the kidnappers, with some press reports mentioning people linked to

drug cartels or terrorism or both. But on March 26 the authorities arrested three people, including a man identified as an employee of the Panamanian subsidiary of Citizen Trading Co.

According to news reports, the police arrested Hector Chang, a Panamanian of Chinese descent, who was identified as working under Mr. Ota, His wife and brother also were arrested.

Sam Walton, Discount-Store Giant, Dies at 74

By Thomas C. Hayes New York Times Service

Sam Walton, 74, the founder of Wal-Mart Stores and the most successful American merchant of his time, died Sunday in Little Rock, Arkansas, after a long battle with

Mr. Waltoo opened the first Wal-Mart Discount City in 1962 in Rogers, Arkansas, a small city in the Ozark Mountains. By 1991, the chain passed Sears, Roebuck & Company to become the nation's largest retailer. It operates more than 1,700 stores in 42 states.

Mr. Walton created Wal-Mart with the idea, once mocked by retailers, that large discount stores could thrive in rural areas.

A gifted, homespun orator, he entranced legions of low-paid hut loyal workers with a simple refrain; Help customers, cut costs and share profits. Wal-Mart's headquarters, in contrast to the 110story Sears Tower in Chicago, remain e boxlike warehouse and general office in Bentonville, Ar-

Wal-Mart began to sell its stock to the public in 1970. From 1981 to 1991, investors earned an astounding average yearly return of 46.8 percent on the company's shares. Mr. Waltoo's family became, by

some accounts, the nation's wealth-iest, its Wal-Mart stock alone worth \$23 billion. Wal-Mart's rapid growth, built on high sales volume and low prices, brought financial ruin to

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As Wal-Mart's reputation grew, Mr. Walton often faced bitter resistance in communities where he planned to open stores. Yet his promises to help charities and pro-vide jobs almost always prevailed. Mr. Walton always worked at shaping his work force, using

cheers, songs and payment policies to urge employees to work hard and be friendly toward customers. During World War II, Mr. Walton served as an army captain, working in intelligence.

In 1945, Mr. Walton acquired his first store, a Ben Franklin variety store franchise in Newport, Arkansas, with a \$25,000 loan from his father-in-law, Leland Stanford Robson, a small-town Oklahoma than I banker. By the early 1960s, Mr. stock. Walton and his brother, James L. On

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(Bud) Waltoo, owned 15 Ben Franklin franchis In 1962, when Ben Franklin ex-

ecutives in Chicago turned down his plan to open bigger stores in rural areas, with discount prices and smaller profit margins, he began to form what eventually be-came Wal-Mart Stores. Mr. Walton remained the chair-

man of Wal-Mart until his death, He relinquished the titles of president and chief executive in 1988. He retired briefly from the chief executive's post in 1974 but reclaimed it two years later.

Rejecting occasional advice to spread his investments, Mr. Walton kept 39 percent of Wal-Mart's common stock under family control in five trusts he established in 1954. Since it became a public company, Wal-Mart has issued more than 1.1 billion shares of common

On April 1, the five Walton

trusts held Wal-Mart stock collec-tively valued at \$23 billion, about \$4.7 billion apiece. Annual dividends on the family stock amount to \$93.5 million.

In 1985, Forbes magazine de-clared Mr. Walton the wealthiest man in America, a distinction Mr. Walton often said he hated. "All that hullabaloo about son

body's net worth is just stipped, and it's made my life a lot more complex and difficult," he said. Mr. Walton displayed scant interest in the social whirl of the fashionably rich. And on has trips that often included visits to six Wal-Mart stores in a day, he rented subcompact cars and spent

nights at budget motels, : Mr. Walton installed profit-sharing plans that enabled hundreds of workers with low wages to retire with comfortable, and occasionally lucrative, pensions because of the rising price of Wal-Mart shares.

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n Panama New Conflict Among U.S. Blacks: To Condone or Condemn the Behavior of a Few Japanese PRANSON MEW YORK — At church meetings, at social gatherings and minimum conversations across the country, more and more blacks, many for the first time, have become openly critical of apologists for certain members of size time.

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"During the civil rights struggles," he said, "we defi-nitely laid claim to the high moral ground, and now, by condoning what some of our leaders do and not acting in a manner we would have been proud of in the '60s, we

are being seen as no better than anybody else." The internal conflict among blacks is no more evident than in blacks' responses to three highly publicized cases. In the trial of Mr. Tyson, the former boxing champion, on rape charges, for example, some saw the conviction as just. Yet there were those, including several leading black ministers, who said the odds were stacked against Mr. Tyson from the start: The jury was predominantly

To many black Washingtonians, the arrest and conviction last year of Mr. Barry, who was then the city's mayor, on charges of cocaine possession was also a miscarriage of justice.

The prosecutors acknowledged that the Barry case was first time the federal government had used sexual enticement to ture a target into criminal behavior. But just as many blacks believed that Mr. Barry used charges of racism to defend his brazen personal behavior and political failures.

The recent removal of Mr. Jeffries as the head of the black studies department at City College in New York is still another example of black ambivalence. Some blacks contend that racism was a motivating

those who say the professor was tempting fate with his incendiary remarks, including those directed at Jews and white historians.

"This is a racist society, and it will be for a long time to come," said Roger Wilkins, a former U.S. assistant attorney general who is a history professor at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. That people make racist attacks on certain black people does not absolve those who have been attacked of behaving decently and keeping their human commitments.

Most of the two dozen blacks interviewed say they do not want to give blacks an excuse to be lawless. Nevertheless, they may find themselves in the uncom-

fortable position of defending other blacks who have been accused of actions they may not condone because of a strong and persistent conviction that there is a double standard for blacks and whites, whether in judging political, criminal or personal behavior.

In an article about the Tyson case in the March issue of Paper Magazine, the filmmaker Spike Lee and the rap star Queen Latifah convey the angst some blacks feel. Both said that although Mr. Tyson's victim was black, one only had to weigh the verdict against those in other

headline-grabbing rape cases involving white men to see that the scales of justice are out of balance. "In the Kennedy case, it was his word against hers,

and he was found not guilty," said Queen Latifah, referring to the rape trial of William Kennedy Smith. While Mr. Lee said he did not want to pass judgment on Mr. Tyson, he believed that the system was "trying to demoralize him" because "he was making too much

During Senate confirmation hearings last autumn on the nomination of Judge Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court, Judge Thomas was able to turn the tide of public support, especially among blacks, by calling the investigation into Anita F. Hill's accusation of sexual harassment a "high-tech lynching" of an "uppity black."

Scores of black citizens around the country agreed, saying the hearings smacked of a setup in which a black woman was being used to destroy a black man.

"Every black official ought to assume that someone is after them because of racism, so they ought to behave the way anyone would if someone was out to get them," said Mary Frances Berry, a professor of history at the University of Pennsylvania and a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

"Racism is a fact of our lives," she said. "You can't be an African-American and not have to deal with racism. So you can imagine if everyone misbehaved and everyone blamed it on racism, then you would have 99 percent misbehaving and I percent trying to control them."

In recent weeks, prominent blacks, including the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Alvin Poussaint, the Harvard psychiatrist, and the Reverend Al Sharpton, the New York activist, have publicly chastised other members of

their race for failing to live up to the moral standards of earlier generations of black Americans. In the past such issues were seldom discussed outside private conversations among blacks and sympathetic whites, because blacks feared that any criticism of their community would be used by some whites against the

"Blacks have had a long history of being divided and conquered, especially in the white media, and this practice persists," Andrew Hacker, a professor of political science at Queens College in New York, wrote in his book "Two Nations, Black and White, Separate, Unequal, Hostile." "Indeed, as many black Americans see it, whites take a special delight in dissecting and exploiting differences among blacks."

Others blacks said they remained silent out of a sense of commitment to their race, of not wanting to air dirty linen in public, knowing that those who did speak out were often ostracized or "read out of the race."

"A lot of us are afraid that if we aren't intraculturally politically correct, we'll have people coming down on us, and so we just keep quiet," Mr. Ashe said, "Who needs

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By Lena Williams

They contend that the actions of national figures like

Mike Tysee, Marion S. Barry Jr. and Leonard Jeffries Jr.

are disgraceful and cannot be excased and that, as role

models, their behavior can bring shame to the race.

But there are those who still maintain that these

individuals are victims of the white establishment and

The emotionally charged debate has prompted blacks, from celebities to day laborers, to re-examine what it

means to be black in America today. Many say they are

finding that the old ananimity no longer stands; the

historic sense of a communal psychology is slowly dissi-

The question that would typify our dilemma is: What happened to the values, attitudes and exemplary personal examples by which we, as African-Americans,

defined the civil rights movement and its offspring, the

feminist movement," said Arthur Ashe, the former ten-

mis star and author of a history of black athletes in

should be defended no matter what.

New York Times Service

Seeking the Eternal In Booms and Busts

Popular wisdom, notes The New York Times, has it that the barsher the economic climate. the more people go to church. Like the old saying about no nihests in forholes, the reason-ing goes that people with worldly cares are drawn to seek solace in the eternal

But a new report by the Princeton Religion Research Center, an affiliate of the Gallup Poli challenges that assumption.
"The historical record shows very minor swings, if any, in both church attendance and membership when the economy either goes boom or bust," the report

The research center analyzed statistics gathered over the last 40 years and through the nine recessions that occurred in that period. It found that the difference in church attendance between the recession and the year preceding it never has exceeded 2 percentage points.

About People ...

Henry C. Lee, head of Connecticut's State Police Forensic Science Laboratory, has investigated more than 5,000 homicides and testifies in about 100 trials a year. "It's not a question of

that'a an established fact," says an admiring colleague, Carla Noziglia, former director of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors. As for Mr. Lee, he says: "I don't have to point the finger at anyone. The signs do it for me. When asked by a television interviewer how he could be outsmarted, he said: Just don't commit a crime. If you don't commit a crime, then I cannot find any che."

Short Takes

When Babe Ruth played him-self in "Pride of the Yankees" 50 years ago, he had a contract pro-vision that allowed him to leave the set by 6 P.M. Gary Cooper, who starred as Ruth's teamm Lou Gehrig, asked the Babe if he partied on Friday evenings. Ruth replied, "No. My favorite radio programs are on then — The Lone Ranger and Gang Bust-

"Bob Levey's Washington," a column in The Washington Post, has a new game, Unlikelyisms. which combines well-known people or things with unlikely activities. Examples:

The Leona Helmsley Charm W.C. Fields Child-Care Cen-

ters.
The Michael Dukakis U-Drive-It Tank Rental Agency.
The Bush Family's Favorite Broccoli Dishes The John McEnroe School of Etiquette.

Arthur Highee

In the Election Year White House, They Almost Miss Sununu By Ann Devroy

ITALY: Cossiga in Full Cry

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — Three
months after Samuel K. Skinner took over as chief of staff to put the White House on an even keel, officials say the operation is in such gridlock that the press secretary, Marlin Fitzwater, lamented to associates recently that he was frustrated enough to quit - and then abruptly left for Bermuda.

Mr. Fitzwater, his aides said, is not resigning, but they say he is frustrated with the White House's inability to forge and carry forward the president's themes and policies. It is another sign that the new election vear team, installed after the stormy tenure of chief of staff John nunu, has not found its feet. Mr. Fitzwater, in a statement issued from Bermuda, expressed

(Continued from page 1)

his 45-year relationship with the party. But he still reserves his fiero-

est wrath for the former Commu-

mists, now renamed the Democratic

The four-party governing coali-tion headed by the Christian Dem-

ocrats, who have dominated virtually all of Italy's 50 governments in

the last 45 years, appeared in jeop-

ardy of losing its majority. Opinion

polls suggested that voters were fed

up with the rising influence of orga-

nized crime, the decrepit state of

public services and the country's

chaotic finances.

Party of the Left, who sought to platform. have him impeached.

has nothing to do with the events described in The Washington Post article," Mr. Fitzwater said.]

The White House deputy chief of to President George Bush and more than a dozen officials in the White staff. W. Henson Moore, a former Lonisiana member of Congress and deputy energy secretary who was put in place by Mr. Skinner to be ins "alter ego," is a focus of frustra-tion for Mr. Fitzwater and others, sources said.

But they said the internal problems, although made worse by Mr. Moore, go beyond him and have produced what one called "functional gridlock," another "operational constipation" and a third "an unbelievable inability to exe-

"I'm not talking about big

His foes say Mr. Cossiga's out-

bursts have made a mockery of

politics and encouraged instability.

Many of the 11,000 candidates are

running on a throw-the-rascals-out

One Dies in Milan Explosion

Agence France-Presse

MILAN - Une person was

killed and seven were injured when

officials inexperienced in White House operations who fail to fol-low things through. Routine tasks get caught in endless debate. When

to support the president."

Interviews with outside advisers

House, the Cabinet departments

and Congress revealed a consensus that Mr. Skinner has constructed a

mini-bureaucracy top heavy with

decisions are made, execution is incomplete or nonexistent. Mr. Moore, the appointment Mr. Skinner cites as one of his best. draws the most direct criticism.

White House and other sources said he had neither the expertise nor the right "staff member" mindset for the job. Another political adviser said Mr. Skinner and Mr. Moore 'haven't made the cultural adjustment" required in the rarified

White House atmosphere of "making quick, hard, fast decisions on the fly and making them work." "You got three portal-to-portal guys there," another administration source said, "each of whom would be perfectly competent in other jobs but not in these jobs, or

at least, not together here. "Portal to portal" refers to the door-to-door chanffeured rides provided to Mr. Skinner, Mr. Moore and the domestic policy a four-story apartment building on chief, Clayton K. Yeutter. During the outskirts of Milan was dethe Summu tenure as staff chief,

support for the White House management team, Reuters reported
from Washington. "My vacation"

things, big policy, big message, big
crisis," the third official said. "Tm
of those guys are used to being in
talking about the essence of the
charge, of making decisions and
charge, of making decisions and
move to resign and instead decided day-to-day work of a White House having someone else carry things out. We're missing the middle lev-

> Mr. Fitzwater's frustration, officials said, is rooted in this inability to get good press and in what associates describe as gridlock in the White House inner councils. The Center for Media and Public

> Affairs, a Washington group that monitors network coverage of the president, calculated that from Jan. I to March 17, the Bush campaign coverage has been negative 76 percent of the time, making him the front-runner in the bad press derby," as the center director, Robert Lichter, expressed it.

Two Fitzwater associates said he had had "words" with Mr. Moore recently after the deputy convened a newly structured group to plot long-range themes and plans and schedules for the president.

Instead, sources said, the meeting dealt with short-term problems of the particular day, Mr. Fitzwater complained openly during the session about Mr. Moore's handling of it and said privately to col-leagues that Mr. Moore was not only wasting time but also failing to accomplish vital business.

Aides said he left the session in disgust, complaining he had "just about had enough" and was on the verge of quitting.

A White House source said Mr.

Fitzwater, whose tenure as press secretary to President Ronald Reagan and now Mr. Bush makes him stroyed by an explosion Sunday, only Mr. Sunum got such service. the longest serving in the post, has talked about leaving at other times

to take a rare vacation.

Sources said he went with his concerns to Mr. Skinner, who authorized the unusual departure. Mr. Skinner said in an interview that Mr. Fitzwater had not complained directly to him but that he had come in last week and say he needed to take time off.

ner said. "He should get a vacation. Everyone here needs some time off. It has been a rough several weeks." Mr. Skinner staunchly defended Mr. Moore and said he was "absohttely not" the wrong man for the post. He insisted that after a rough start up, the new White House staff structure was beginning to settle down. Suggestions of turmoil or

gridlock are exaggerated, he said.

"I encouraged that," Mr. Skin-

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Levy Ends His Likud Revolt

Wins Concessions On Power Share

By Clyde Haberman

New York Times Service
JERUSALEM — Foreign Minister David Levy pulled back at the last minute Sunday from the brink of a political abyss, withdrawing the resignation be had announced a week ago in exchange for promises of a larger slice of power if his party leads Israel's next government.

Eleventh-hour concessions to Mr. Levy by Prime Minister Yitznak Shamir put an end for the moment to a crisis that had threatened to split the governing Likud party at the start of a campaign for June national elections.

But they also created new resentments within the party, especially for Defense Minister Moshe Arens, who reportedly complained in a meeting of senior government offi-cials that Mr. Shamir had caved in to what he regarded as political

After the dust had settled a bit, party members agreed that they were not so much running for election now as limping, after a series of self-inflicted wounds that have been coupled by a resurgence of strength and confidence within the main opposition force, the Labor

The most recent opinion polls show Labor enjoying a steadily widening lead over Likud, which has dominated Israeli governments for 15 years. While the voter mood here can be mercurial - and the elections are still II weeks away the consensus among politicians and press commentators is that Labor and its new leader, Yitzhak Rahin, enjoy the upper hand. But it may not be strong enough, they say, to form a new government without Likud as a partner in an updated version of the "national unity" coalition that prevailed from 1984 to 1990.

In contrast to a week of Grand Guignol theatrics inside the stumbling Likud, Labor has seemed a rum to many Israelis after selecting its list of parliamentary candidates last week through a first-time pri-

The result is a bumper crop of new faces and a list reasonably balanced among ethnic groups. Likud strategists have begun attacking the lineup as top-heavy with doves who, they say, would compromise Israel's security by being overly eager to offer territorial concessions



Foreign Minister Levy telling reporters Sunday that he'd stay.

Arab states. But Labor leaders reply that their voters also selected half a dozen retired generals, including Mr. Rabin.

Labor's platform calls for a year's freeze on new Israeli settlements in the occupied territories. The party is far more willing than Mr. Shamir, who is unbending on this subject, to give up some land in return for a guaranteed peace.

On top of that, Labor can turn Likud's own words against it. After to the Palestinians and neighboring the internal fisticuffs over the for-

eign minister's threatened resignation, there is no shortage of recordings of self-damaging Likud speeches, In them, Mr. Levy and his Sephardic supporters - Jews with origins in northern Africa and other parts of the Middle East accused Mr. Shamir and other Likud elders of being prejudiced against Sephardim, unconcerned about social-welfare issues, lukewarm to the ongoing peace process and unnecessarily hostile to the

Iranian Warplanes Attack Rebel Base Deep in Iraq

NICOSIA - Iran said Sunday that its warplanes attacked an Iranian rebel base deep inside Iraq. Baghdad claimed that one of the eight F-4 fighter-bombers was shot down and its two-man crew cap-

Tehran said the strike was in retaliation for a raid by the Mujahidin Khalq on two villages Saturday in western Iran.

The air raid marked a sharp dete-

rioration in relations between Iran and Iraq, which have still not signed a peace treaty to formally end their 1980-88 war.

The rebels said that one of their number was killed and several others were wounded when the base was showered by cluster bombs. They said the target was their base at Khalis, 65 kilometers (40

miles) from Baghdad. Iraqi radio, monitored in Cy-prus, called the raid an act of "blatant and unjustified aggression."

regime of the consequences of this impudent, aggressive act, and holds it fully responsible for the grave consequences," the radio said. "Iraq also reserves its rights concerning this aggression."

The Mujahidin Khalq is the largest exiled Iranian opposition group. Its military wing operates several military bases inside Iraq.

The official Iranian press agen-cy, IRNA, said that Saturday's at-

The Mujahidin Khalq denied making raids. The group has in-creased its verbal attacks on Tehran as Iran has been preparing for parliamentary elections this week.

abducted others.

I Iranians Abroad Protest About 40 Iranian exiles vandalized their country's embassy Sunday in protest of the air attacks on the Mujahidin Khalq base in Iraq.

"Iraq warns the reckless Iranian tackers killed several villagers and Reuters reported the police in Bonn as saying.

Police said that two officers were stabbed and at least three other persons were injured during an hourlong occupation of the build

Iranians in The Hague and London also attacked their embassies in protest. In the Netherlands nonstrators managed to gain entry to the mission, causi sive damage, the police said.

ARABS: No Longer Feared by the West in a Radically Changed World

fact reach some of the same coucla-When asked for a dispassionate assessment of Washington's policy

in the Middle East, one diplomat, requesting anonymity, echoed the comments of senior U.S. envoys in "I don't think Washington sees an Arab landscape out there anymore," the diplomat said. "We see Egyptians, we see Saudis, we see Lihyans and Algerians. While there

is still some appreciation of the concept of Arab solidarity, it no longer plays a role in our calcula-There were, he said, few "shared values" for the West and the Arabs, and that the West's one hig interest in the region — oil — is more secure than ever in the absence of Soviet competition and the relative

West, even from Islamic funda-He said that things have changed irrevocably since the tense period, less than two years ago, when the United States showed great deference to Arab sensitivities during

feebleness of opposition to the

Since then the United States has

concluded that the "Arab street" perspective, U.S. policymakers in the power of public opinion — is more myth than potent threat to U.S. interests, the diplomat said. It has also concluded that the individual interests of Arab states like Saudi Arabia, which needs U.S. protection, and Egypt, which needs
U.S. money, transcend by far any
notion of Arah solidarity.
Finally, be said, Washington has
concluded that Islamic fundamen-

talism simply "does not carry the kind of punch the Soviet threat He maintains that there is no

new doctrine guiding Middle East policy, only what he described as 'ad boc and gradual" new rules that seem governed by lack of concern about old dangers rather than a quest for a new direction. Ahmad Khalidi, a Palestinian scholar and London-based politi-

cal consultant, says the rules these days "single out the Arabs for punishment and disciplinary actions while letting Israel free to defy all United Nations resolutions and the concept of a new world order." Nevertheless, be and other Arab intellectuals acknowledge that

things are changing for Israel, too. A senior Egyptian diplomat in Europe noted that U.S. military in-

weeks ago to investigate a charge that Israel gave advanced Patriot missile technology to China, "just as inspection teams have been plowing Iraq" to destroy Baghdad's ability to make nuclear or biological weapons. The inspectors sent to Israel found no evidence to

Support the charge.
The comparative coolness of current U.S. policy toward Israel is acknowledged by American officials, who say the new U.S. language in Middle East diplomacy revolves essentially around the willingness of the region as a whole willingness of the region as a whole, including Israel, to yield to Wash-

The American-Israeli relationship is receding in the sense that there is a growing willingness to ask whether what Israel does falls within the area of our shared values," the official who described the administration's policy said. "But it would be foolish for Arab governments to conclude that there are more shared values between us and

them as a result." Among Arabs it is not evident that any credible resistance has emerged to what Mr. Khalidi calls the "American era." Libya, Iraq, Iran, leftist Palestinian factions

spectors were sent to Israel two and militant fundamentalists attract almost no support and, if anything, are under Arab pressure to

keep quiet. Meanwhile, influential countries like Egypt and Saudi Arabia maintain that the way to influence U.S. policy is by staying under Washneton's umbrella.

But it remains true that large numbers of the estimated 300 million Arabs are deeply resentful of U.S. policies in the Palestinian-Israeli dispute. Even with cooled U.S.-Israeli relations, Arabs retain a belief that the United States applies a double standard when considering the rights of Israelis and the rights of Arabs.

That is complicated by the grow-ing perception that Arab views, policies and even cultural values are seen as worthless in Washing-

Gamil Matar, a respected leftist Egyptian writer, noted in an essay week that the United States and the West were "not offering the Arabs a deal or even a prospect for

The essence of Western policies, Mr. Matar wrote, is a rejection, rooted in racial and cultural prejudice, of all basic Arab beliefs, including their legitimate grievances.

and Moscow. Both of those larger

Russian cities have been bogged

down in the debate over how to

"Nizhny Novgorod is the leader of privatization," Mr. Gaidar said,

and we can see the steps taken

YELTSIN: Who Rules Russia

(Continued from page 1) while more directly under Mr. Yelt.

sin's protective wing. Mr. Yeltsin spoke Sunday before a rally of supporters, called a "citizens' congress," which has been or-ganized around him. He said that at the Congress of People's Deputies, there would be "an attempt at a conservative comeback," which should be given an absolute re-

"Only one way out can exist today: the continuation of radical reforms," Mr. Yeltsin said. "And f shall not turn off that path, for there is no other choice today. So "the duty of all of us" is clear,

Mr. Yeltsin said: "to protect radi-cal reforms and firmly support those who are busy implemential them and, above all, the govern ment of reforms."

While speaking of the need to nurture and protect democracy, Mr. Yeltsin said that this was only possible with a strong presidential system as the foundation for a new, post-Soviet, post-Communist Rus

Opinion polls indicate that Rus sians want strong government and mistrust old politicians who emerged under the Communist sysem - which includes most of the 1,000-odd members of the Congress, who were elected two years ago and last met in full session in October, while the Soviet Union and its parliament still existed comparisons with St. Petersburg

This Congress is Russia's highest legislative authority. It elects the smaller Supreme Soviet and nominally has the power to gut Mr. Yeltsin's reforms.

His "vision of patriotism," he said, encompasses a united, revital-ized Russia, democratic and federal, becoming "a civilized country capable of providing high stan-dards of living and strict observance of human rights for its citizens, while occupying "a worthy place in the world community." Some demonstrators carrying the red Soviet flag pushed delegates as they entered the hall, while

about 5,000 supporters of the old

union held a demonstration of their

here as exemplary, a model that can be applied all over Russia."

own later.

AUCTION: A Bargain at 3.6 Million Rubles, It's Private Property Now auction's success brought welcome "They want to go to demonstra-

up the privatization program here. The auction represented one round in a long and emotional battle about the best way for the state to unload its property after 75 years of communism — a debate that touches on some of Russia's deepest uncertainties about the morality of what, until recently,

was the crime of "speculation."
While Nizhny Novgorod's reformist leaders have favored an open sale of small enterprises to the highest hidder as the only fair and uncorrupted method, other politicians in Russia are arguing that for entrepreneurs. While she was stores should be given to their working, she said, clerks in state workers.

That view was articulated with vigor by several hundred shop empleyees who demonstrated outside vice or not.

the auction hall and cried, "Shame! Shame!" at Mr. Gaidar and other leaders as they entered the building. The workers maintained that only racketeers and dishonest bureaucrats could have accumulated enough money to buy the shops at

But Lyudmila Gaiduchenko, the high bidder for Sewing Shop No. 38, said she felt no sympathy for the workers. Mrs. Gaiduchenko, 48, said she opened a private tourism company six years ago, when the Communist authorities were still making life nearly impossible stores were skimming profits and goods, and earning their pay whether they provided decent sertions, but they don't want to work." she said, adding that she doubted she would retain the current employees of her new shop. "It's state sector, and they're all corrupted," Nizhny Novgorod's mayor,

Dmitri Bednyakov, in long negotia-tions with the city's trade unions leading up to the auction, agreed to handicap the auction in their favor. A collective seeking to buy out its own firm can knock 30 percent off the final bid price if it wins, and can take longer to pay the city as well. As a result, nine out of 21 shops were sold to collectives Saturday.

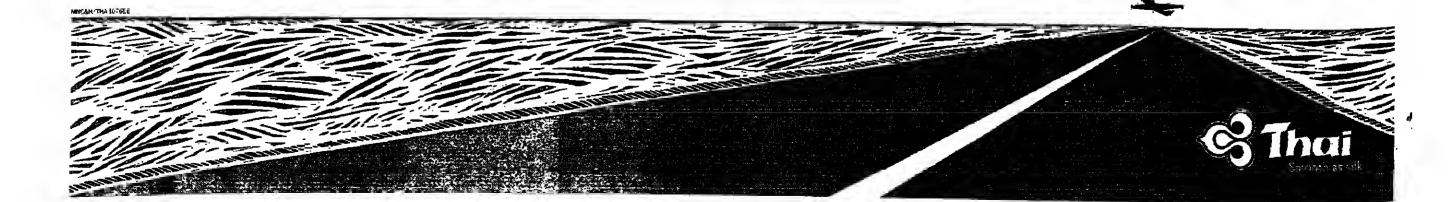
For Nizhny Novgorod, which achieved notoriety in the West as Gorky, the home in exile of Andrei D. Sakharov for seven years, the

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of acrimonious exchanges between

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They are trying to walk the U.S.-

Japan relationship back from the

brink that suddenly appeared as

emotions were jarred on both sides of

the Pacific this winter by President

George Bush's provocative "jobs"

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But this does not mean that they

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Some of the recent turmoil is tem-

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ings, just as officials on each side assert in their public statements. But

what is not being said publicly is

perhaps more important. The tensions between Tokyo and Washington

spring from a new current of uncer-

tainty and potential conflict as two

habits that followed.

concessions from Japan.

their words with great caution.

Americans and Israelis

Of the several allegations that Israel was bootlegging American military technology. the most damning was that it was reselling high-tech, high-profile Patriot missiles or technology to China. It is reassuring that a 17 member State Department investigative team cleared Israel, having found no evidence to support the leaked American intelligence reports underlying that charge.

Separately, the department's inspector general alleges a "systematic and growing [Israeli] pattern" of reselling sensitive U.S. technology in violation of U.S. law. In both the American and Israeli governments, however, there is an inclination to restore differences over technology transfer to more discreet channels. It is not that there is no basis for American questions about Israeli sales or Israeli questions about American leaks. Public confrontation and occasional snarting are

making the situation worse.

Both countries have other husiness: the peace talks. President George Bush n-chieved a success hy bringing Israel's Arab foes to the peace table. Nothing should be allowed to get in the way. He made a further contribution when he put the teeth of a housing-aid suspension inm the American position that there should be no more unilateral Israeli settlement in the West Bank. The lame duck Israeli government sees not a "contribution" hut prestheir say in elections in June.

Meanwhile, the United States has won both sides' consent to resume talks in Washington on April 27 and, meeting a reasonable Israeli demand, to hold the next round at a location closer to the Middle East. Progress is not incremental in these talks; compromise requires political decisions not yet

taken on either side. But the talks go on.
The fuss over technology transfer came on top of the dispute over housing loan guarantees, and it contributed to talk of a severe deterioration of the whole American-Israeli "relationship." Israelis, living in a vicious neighborhood and dependent upon a distracted America, are prone to fears of abandonment. Their concern is aggravated hy their fall from American strategic grace due to the ending of the Cold War and hy recurrent insensitivity in the Bush adminis-

tration's tactics and tone. But all this does not add up to a basic American policy change. Americans may get a hit tired of being called upon to prove fidelity time after time, but they have demonstrated fidelity to Israel. Americans have an ahiding respect for Israel's founding purpose of rescuing desperate Jews, for its democracy and social achievements, and for the risks it faces now.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Bush and Clinton for Now

The New York presidential primary election has rarely meant much. Often, all the suspense has been squeezed out hy the momentum of prior results. This year New York counts. If Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas runs strongly, he will virtually lock up the Democratic nomination. If former Governor Jerry Brown of California does well, be will strengthen his politics of anti-politics. An ambiguous outcome could encourage dissat-

isfied voters to keep shopping.

The choice on Tuesday is thus unusually consequential and complex. That is why The New York Times, which customarily reserves candidate recommendations until the fall, now offers its views of the race so far.

The Republicans

Lamentably, there will he no Republican hallot on Tuesday. President George Bush, prudent player on the stage of a new world order, warrants his party's renomination, and he surely would have won the vote for it in New York, as he has elsewhere. But party officials seized on the state's notorious petition rules to keep Patrick Buchanan off the hallot.

We disagree heart and soul with Mr. Buchanan's fearful isolationism and protectionism. He manifests a nativism so harsh that it also sounds like anti-Semitism and racism. Even so, the absence of a contest diminishes democracy — if only because it denies New York Republicans their chance to roundly reject the Buchanan message.

The Democrats

Although there are seven names on Tuesday's Democratic haliot, they present only three choices: Jerry Brown, Bill Clinton or Neither. Two names are wishful; the ambitions of former Senator Eugene McCarthy and Larry Agran, former mayor of Irvine, California, still flicker. Two names are vestigial: Senators Tom Harkin and Bob Kerrey, 1992 amhitions dimmed have withdrawn. And at the moment it is hard to tell into which category Paul Tsongas belongs - wishful, vestigial or both. If he were to re-enter the campaign, a clear choice would become much harder.

Jerry Brown

When people describe the former California governor, adjectives spill out, not many of them friendly: audacious, mercurial, visionary, expedient, self-absorbed, restless - and reckless, even to the point of being mean. Critics do not do justice to his 1975-1983 record. California introduced auto emission standards, a Conservation Corps, a pioneering right-to-die law. But supporters do not do justice to his record, either. It also includes reduced spending on education, disastrous dithering about a fruit fly epidemic and fiscal management that so infuriated voters that they imposed the choke bold of Proposition 13.

Since then. Mr. Brown has changed directions as often as he changes costume from Zen reflection to high-roller insider's politics in his present persona as Mr. Outside. He still spins brilliantly. but his visionary optimism seems to have soured. He fluently denounces those he is against. He does less well expressing what he is for.

His program as a whole is sketchy, and even its centerpiece, his 13 percent flat tax, turns out to be a careless caricature of the original idea. The hasty Brown version would burden the poor and swell the deficit. Jerry Brown gives voice to the widespread frustration with politics. He gives no evidence of knowing how to relieve it

People acquainted with the governor of Arkansas before this campaign, and people who have met him since, sometimes make the same observation: that the Bill Clinton they know is an intelligent, experienced, gregarious politician with powerful ideas for the country. Why does he so often come across

insensitive to ethical conflicts? One answer is that he is new to the national stage; many voters got their first impression of him from a string of embarrassing episodes.
First came Gennifer Flowers, claiming a

long relationship with the governor. Then accusations of escaping the draft in 1969. Then lame answers to questions about his relationship with a savings and loan head subject to state regulation. Late last month he admitted trying marijuana in words ("didn't inhale") so grudging as to invite ridicule. Some of these episodes have been unfair or exaggerated. Together they leave enduring doubts. But what is obscured in all the commotion is a record of accomplishment that gives credibility to the co-

gent program he proposes, In Arkansas, Mr. Clinton has been as good as his words. Last summer his fellow governors voted him the best in their business. His domestic agenda rings with sensi-hle priorities. He has yet to define a foreign and defense policy that would free the federal funds needed for his domestic agenda, hut his program aims to fix what is most

wrong with the American economy,
He thinks that government should invest in people - notably through education, training, early childhood intervention, national service and welfare reform. What makes that doubly appealing is that as it encouraged economic growth it would also advance social justice and racial healing.

One day last January, Mr. Clinton was talking to a business group in New York's Regency Hotel. He held up that day's New York Post, whose banner read BLACK KIDS PAINTED WHITE, and asked: "Why did they do that? Because they live in a world in which nobody has told them the truth. That we're all in this together. These white kids [are told] 'Ain't nothing wrong with you. It's always Them.' . . . It's time somebody stood up and said there is no Them. There's only Us."

Some voters, troubled about Bill Clinton and uneasy about Jerry Brown, push for a brokered convention — that is, one in which Paul Tsongas or someone not yet a candidate could emerge. One way to do that would be to cast a protest vote for Mr. Tsongas.

That would pay deserved respect to a candidate who persevered for long, lonely months on behalf of his sound program for growth. It would be wholly understandable, should Mr. Clinton falter, for Mr. Tsongas to contemplate returning for the California and New Jersey primaries on June 2. He might win enough delegates to gain bargaining power at a hrokered convention.

But even if all that did happen, voters who like the prospect of a brokered convention would need to consider three points: Americans have worked hard to shift the choice of nominees from pols to voters and are not likely to welcome giving it hack; not even people close to Mr. Tsongas are confident that the power brokers would choose him; it is far from clear that some compromise choice, untested and unscarred by the primaries, would look like such a savior in an even rougher fall campaign. At this time, in this churning primary campaign. Bill Clinton remains the superior

choice for Democrats.

These are not endorsements for November. This has already been a humpy campaign year for both parties and is likely to become more so, given the prospect of a formidable independent challenge by H. Ross Perot, self-made billionaire. Even so, George Bush stands head and shoulders above the pinched negativism preached hy Patrick Buchanan and deserves the renomination that his party seems certain to give him. On the Democratic side, Bill Clinton offers a plausible path in economic growth and racial unity. Jerry Brown appeals to anger. Bill Clinton appeals to hope. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

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Correction

he is actually listening.

Elections in Kurdish-held areas of Iraq, originally scheduled for Friday — as stated on this page in "The Kurds in Iraq Urgently Need International Rescue" (April 2) — have been rescheduled for April 30. be traced to the soft, manicured hands

from which it is used to feeding. So there is nothing slippery about Mr. Brown's move to a more inclusive, left-leaning vision. A supporter who put him up for a night gave him an earful on AIDS. He was not always opposed to free trade, but he had to live among worried autoworkers in Michigan. Mother Teresa had turned him against abortion, but he listened to a lot of other women. If this is

"opportunism," may it flourish.
What would he be like as president? He does have a record and some longstanding principles. As governor he was a friend to labor, as the farm workers can testify, a strong environmentalist and a promoter of racial and gender diverity. He opposes the death penalty and interventionist wars, not exactly a pandering stance. Beyond that, we know he won't be beholden to any fat cats. Instead he will be indebted to a whole lot of people in ranch

houses, mobile homes and tenements. "The Worst Years of Our Lives: Irreverent Notes on a Decade of Greed,"

A Candidate Who Listens to the People

- Barbara Ehrenreich, author of enting in The New York Times.

powerful, dissimilar allies grope for new world roles beyond the Cold War. The most powerful politicians in the governing Liberal Democratic Party and the opposition Socialist Party establish in conversations here

that Japan wants to maintain its close partnership with America in show that the businessmen are makthis new era. But Japan expects to be less of a junior partner in the future -especially if America does not get a grip on the economic problems that have begun to undermine Japanese public confidence in the coun-

try that has guaranteed Japan's security and prosperity for 45 years. For a variety of reasons, Japan believes that its vital interests are served by America being economical-ly strong and politically confident abroad. The recent spats may cause some Americans to doubt that Japan really harbors this view; but it remains the bedrock consensus of Ja-

pan's foreign policy.

Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa is already preparing for a July trip to Washington that he hopes will erase the recent acrimony and refocus attention on accomplishments of the

By Jim Hoagland

January summit eclipsed by President Bush's sudden illness. "I expect to tell the president that Japanese business is delivering on what it promised in January," Miyazawa told me in a relaxed and amiable conversation. "The trends

ing a bona fide effort to meet the targets" of importing \$19 billion worth of auto parts and 20,000 American autos by 1994, as set out in a joint Japanese-American statement. That is a modest agenda, given the air of crisis that has hovered over Japanese-American relations in recent months. What I heard the prime minister not saying was that Japan

would implement what was agreed in Tokyo but would not take on new responsibilities before the U.S. election in November. Japan's leaders appear to believe they can do little to help bring about an American revival, despite con-

tinuing American pressure to do just that. The political leadership here seems intent on not creating false expectations that could spur new disappointment and bitterness among

America and Japan: Tend the Friendship Americans, particularly about trade. Japan's sharp economic slowdown has caused a severe drop in imports and a stunning new rise in Japan's trade surplus in the opening months

of 1992. Mr. Miyazawn may well arrive in July with the U.S. trade deficit with Japan looking worse than before Mr. Bush went to Tokyo. The loss of a common Soviet adversary makes alliance politics harder

versary makes alliance politics harder to manage and specific tensions harder to submerge. Moreover, Mr. Miyazawa's standing in the polls is plunging as the economy flags. He is locked in an unexpectedly difficult battle in the Diet's upper chamber over a bill to permit Japanese troops to serve in United Nations peacekeeping forces in Cambodia and elsewhere.

Like President Bush, he has found Like President Bush, he has found that the political surge that followed Operation Desert Storm was intense but short-lived. The Socialist Party

may now be able to block or significantly water down the peacekeeping bill, which a few months ago seemed sured of easy passage. Unlike America, however, Japan continues an intense discussion of what the Gulf War meant. The discus-

sion is intended to form a consensus about Japan's role in world affairs. Ichiro Ozawa, a leading figure in the LDP and a probable future prime minister, sees the peacekeeping bill as an important barometer of Japan's willingness to take on new international responsibilities as America pulls back, relatively speaking, and

Japan has to share more of the costs" of maintaining global stability.
"Because of the Cold War bipolar structures and Japan's self-indul-gence, security was left in America's hands. Japan should be carrying more of the burden. We don't say this in an unfriendly way to Ameri-ca," Mr. Ozawa said in a sentiment echoed in a separate interview hy Shin Kanemaru, the kingmaker of the LDP's factional politics.

Moments of dramatic change inevitably produce new tensions among the best of friends. That is why the conflicts that have surfaced between Washington and Tokyo should be explored, not ignored or explained away only as temporary "misunderstandings." If these tensions are mis-handled, they would be neither temporary nor insignicant.

Time for More Change Than Major Can Offer?

ARIS — Britain goes to the polls on Thursday to put a quiet end to 13 years of radical government. The election closes the astonishing spoch of Margaret Thatcher. It makes too great difference whether John Major or Neil Kinnock wins this election and forms the next government. The radical years are over.

Mrs. Thatcher's legacy has overshadowed Prime Minister Major's year at Downing Street, where he has been occupied chiefly in disengaging the Tories from the problems she left behind, such as the poll tax. The legacy is mixed, but far more positive than that of her friend Ronald Reagan. Britain is still in recession, but its unions are stripped of the power they misused, and its industry is competitive — that industry which survives. The contrast with what Reaganism left behind is striking, and to Mrs. Thatcher's credit. But then

she was serious, while Mr. Reagan was not. However, she also left behind high unemploy ment, high interest rates, thousands of homeless, class hitterness, a decayed industrial and transport infrastructure, poor education levels and a nealth service widely perceived as neglected, requiring long waits for treatment that are inconceivable in the parallel national health systems of Germany or France. She privatized everything she could privatize, which had some eminently successful results, hut in the case of natural monopolies tended to transfer the monopoly,

and its abuse, to the private sector. These are reasons the Labor Party has been marginally ahead in most of the polls since the campaign began. The logical forecast is for a hung Parliament — one in which neither Labor nor the Conservatives have a majority and one of them must attempt to form a minority governBy William Pfaff

ment, unlikely to last for long, or look for a coalition with one of the minor parties, the Liber-al Democrats or the Ulster Unionists (who usually vote with the Conservatives).

The Liberal Democrats are a merger of the old Liberal Party of Gladstone and Lloyd George, dominant in the 19th century but fallen on hard times since the 1920s, with the Social Democratic Party, which was founded in 1981 by disaffected leaders of a Labor Party that seemed hopelessly mired in left-wing factionalism and reactionary trade unionism. Today the Liberal Democrats might be thought without much political point, since Labor has reformed itself under Neil Kinnock, stands for most of the Good Things that the Liberal Democrats are for, and is electable.

But the Liberal Democrats have more than a tradition going for them. They have a leader called Paddy Ashdown, who is by far the most attractive party leader in this election. A former marine commando officer, he is very likely the only current party leader in the Western world trained to kill with his bare hands — an ability one is tempted to wish exercised on other political stages than that of Britain.

The stated price of Mr. Ashdown's support for either of the major parties in a hung Parliament is investment in education and a referendum on installing proportional representation in Britain in place of the present winner-take-all system. Voting by proportional representation is the only means by which the Liberal Democrats could expect to play n continuing serious role in British government. Hung Parliaments do not come

along often. Mr. Ashdown might get such a commitment from Labor, but whether the public rould endorse the change is open to question. Both Tory and Labor leaders are broad-mind-

ed, sensible and - in the context of their respective traditions - thoroughly conservative. Mr. Kinnock has moved Labor toward the center of the political spectrum. Mr. Major was elected leader of the Tory party precisely because he embodied a maximum of non-Thatcherism. Not anti-Thatcherism. The flamboyant Mi-

chael Heseltine, economic and industrial interventionist and pro-European, is the Conservative Party's anti-Thatcherite (and will inherit the leadership if Mr. Major loses this election). Mr. Major stands more or less for what Mrs. Thatcher stood for, but in a nonabrasive, nonideological, restful and above all nice way.

You are confident that he could not, and above all would not, kill with his bare hands, whereas Margaret Thatcher seemed Paddy Ashdown's equal in that respect. She was a radical reformer with tunnel vision, out to change Britain at any cost, as she indeed did. A success for Mr. Kinnock could follow less from a rejection of Mr. Major than from a continuing popular recoil from the grandeur and ordeal of Thatcherism.

If Labor wins, it may not really be Mr. Major's

fault, nor Mr. Kinnock's victory. It may simply be that the British electorate will have decided that after a dozen years of Thatcherism it is time for more of a change than Mr. Major can offer. The Tories may then regret that they did not make Mr. Heseltine their leader. That would have been change enough for anyone.

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Brown: Why Put a Wrecker in the White House?

By Anthony Lewis

CEATTLE - This is a year of anger in politics. Voters are angry at economic misery, at politicians who give themselves perks, at institu-tions that do not work. They are in a meed to punish, to destroy.

Jerry Brown fits that mood. He comes on as a Sayonarola who would ourge an impure system. And if there s a real Jerry Brown underneath the various political masks, it may be something like that: Savonarola As governor of California he was a

wrecker of institutions. The University of California, the courts, the mental hospitals - institutions in which the state had taken great pride — were savaged by Mr. Brown. All in the name of profound rethinking, and

In THEIR musings on the "enigma" of Edmund G. Brown Jr., the

media overlook the unusual ecology of his campaign. With his reliance on

tiny contributions, he is the first ma-

He does not bed down every night

with a suite full of brilliant, mono-maniacal aides chanting the line of the day, but with the families of sup-

porters, even with homeless people in

shelters. He travels low to the ground,

and if he seems to change, in "tell us what we want to hear," it is because

In politics, you are what you eat:

\$1,000-a-plate meals produce one type

of man, Danish and coffee on a plastic tablecloth produce another. The tragic

decline of the Democratic Party can

without regard for the human cost. Stanley Sheinbaum, an outstanding liberal Democrat, was named to the University of California Board of Regents hy Mr. Brown and served for 12 years. He remains "grateful" for the appointment, he says, but his memories of what Mr. Brown did to

the university are not happy.

"He had a disrespect for the university." Mr. Sheinhaum told me. "He was very rough on the budget, and not just for lack of money. He virtually eliminated extension courses, with the comment, Why have courses for housewives? I visited the University of Califor-

Mr. Brown left five or six vacancies on the Board of Regents un-filled for an extended time, Mr. Sheinbaum said — "It crippled us." Mr. Brown did that with many state boards and agencies, saying that he

Governor Reagan.

ma in the Brown years, doing some teaching, and found that faculty and staff members thought Mr. Brown

so contemptuous of the university that they pined for his predecessor

as governor: Ronald Reagan. They

thought they were treated more fair-

ly, and more straightforwardly, by

was rethinking their functions. He cut funds for mental hospitals and let conditions in them get so bad that the hospitals were decertified and federal funding cut off. Inter-viewing him in 1978, I asked him why he had done that "I was not confident that I understood the program," he said. "I've had some doubts about the role of psychiatry and the ap-proach in mental illness." One may well have intellectual doubts about the treatment of mental illness. But for a governor to let patients go hungry, dirty and neglected while he mulls those doubts is something else.

The institution that suffered most from the Brown years, I think, was the Supreme Court of California. He made some good appointments, but he made one fatal one: of Rose Bird, one of his assistants, as chief justice. Rose Bird was n thoughtful and decent person with modest experi-ence in the law. She might have been

an appropriate choice as a lower court judge. For chief justice of Cali-fornia she was completely mappro-priate. Lawyers and judges took the

appointment to be an expression of Mr. Brown's contempt for the law. The end of the Rose Bird story was terrible for her and for the Supreme Court of California. Right-wing forces started a campaign that ended with the voters removing her and two

respected colleagues from the court, and with its once high reputation among state courts degraded. In times of stress there may always be an urge to destroy institutions, to purify and start over. Think of the 1960s. But is that what the United

States needs today?

The Reagan and Bush years have seen the weakening of constitutional institutions. The federal courts have been stacked with ideological zealots, government agencies with people who do not believe in their missions. The need is not to destroy but to restore.

Consider the president's power to name Supreme Court justices, for me his single most important duty. Would Americans want those appointments to be made by Jerry Brown? The New York Times

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: A Royal Romance?

CANNES - It is believed that the visit of the Prince of Wales and his son Prince George and the tête-à-tête of the elder Prince with the Duchess of Teck will result in a marriage between Prince George and the Princess Mary of Teck. The Prince of Wales seems to enjoy Cannes very much. and is constantly in the open air, cither in yachting excursions or driving about among the mimosa trees.

1917: Poincaré's Cable

PARIS -- President Poincaré has cabled a message to Mr. Wilson: "At the moment when the great American Republic prepares to take up arms in the defence of justice and liberty, I voice the thoughts of all France in expressing to you and the American nation the joy and pride which we experience at feeling our hearts beat once more in unison with yours. You have, in neverto-be-forgotten words, made yourself the eloquent interpreter of right out-

raged and civilization threatened. All honor to you, Monsieur le President, and to your noble country."

1942: A Plane Downed

DARWIN, Australia — [From our New York edition:] Allen Raymond reports: "If you are riding along a road out here some sunny afternoon. and the air-raid sirens blow, the driver swings into a field and parks under a tree. You see a few people running. then the streets are deserted. You light a eigenette and wait, listening. You hear the planes a long way off. The drone goes into a crescendo and anti-aircraft gens, about a half mileaway, begin to boom. You scan the rolling white cloud banks, then in the clear blue you see the white puffs of exploding shells. Suddenly a small flaming leaf breaks off from the mass and comes dropping slowly toward the earth. It is an enemy bomber that

has been downed and your heart

leaps up until you want to laugh and

sing but you don't do either.'

Good Start:

Clinton on
The World

By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

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burden to show he is not provincial, is able to handle foreign policy.

In December, Bill Clinton gave a foreign policy address, and on Wednesday he gave another. He has been doing a lot of polishing, some of it protectively, some of it quite one. anvely. He may not have been han. dling these ideas for 20 years, but he is becoming more at ease with them and trying to make them his own. He understands that in experience and worldly savvy. George Bush is leagues ahead of him. This allows him to praise President Bush generously

for prowess in knitting up the Gulf War coalition and launching Middle East peace talks. He had a little fair fun on Wednesday in noting the impe-tus that his own interest lent to Mr. Bush's decision to endorse aid for Russia — a convergence that also allows Mr. Clinton to bask in the reflect ed safety of Mr. Bush's centrism. He is careful to leave himself room to stand off. He is not trying just to avoid the negative drag of not seeming adequately competent. He wants the benefit of being seen to offer a visible alternative. He has chosen tensin of both style and substance. Style: He says Mr. Bush fails to articulate clear

W ASHINGTON — There was a morning in 1975 when an unlikely presidential candidate named Jimmy Carter about himself to be

hauled out of a hotel shower to tell

could cut it in foreign affairs. He had

gone on foreign trade missions as a governor, he said. The voters eviden-ly were content. But once in office it

was not his experience that mattered

so much as the kind of person he was

question of whether another Southern governor, who labors under a similar

This is how I would approach the

el and middy his own peace process. Substance: He says Mr. Bush too often sides with the status quo rather than identify with democratic change, as in Russia, China, Yugoslavia. There is a hint that he would like to have it both ways. He wants credit for putting an arm around an abused isra-el, for instance, even as he shrinks from applying the pressure without which progress in peace will not come. I am not persuaded that he has done all the necessary processing of others' advice into personal judgment. None-

goals, which has led him, in the Middle East, for instance, to "browbeat" Isra-

theless, in the early going he has staked out positions that can be defended — and developed.

Mr. Clinton, who lived abroad as a student, is a "practical internationalist," in the phrase of a leading adviser, Richard Gardner. With Mr. Bush, he believes that the United States must stay engaged. Alert to avoid being identified as a left-wing Democrat, he is at pains in saluting the end of the Cold War to add that the world is still a dangerous place, although — here again he draws a difference between

himself and Mr. Bush - the dangers are changing shape all the time.
It is not for America to "bear every burden," he says, evoking John Kennedy's call to "bear any burden" for freedom, but to "tip the balance in an earlier draft, "make the difference" wherever it can." This formulat suggests engagement but also selectivity and discrimination. It is n way to stay in an internationalist posture without abusing the American prople'a skittish tolerance for involvement and without threatening to break the bank. Such formulations at the least indicate a disposition, a foundation, from which the hard thinking starts.

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Another typical balancing act can he seen in what is intellectually his most novel reach, on the question of how much Americans should retain a prerogative to act on their own and how much they should commit (in security, drugs, the environment) to international forums. Mr. Chinton. digging an elbow into poor Michael Dukakis, declares that he will "never turn over the security of the U.S. to the UN" - as though anybody would. But, recovering be approves of what could be called maximum feasible multilateralism: "together where we can, on our own where we must."

With the challenger's bent for "new

ideas," Mr. Clinton beams up the notion of a "United Nations rapid deployment force" that would, among other things, cross national borders and rescue civilians from "mass violence." This is the pioneering form of intervention that the United States and others applied to Iraq'a Kurds. In this policy area as in others, Mr. Clinton seeks to depict himself as new-generation innovative but also old-generation sound. His approach does not answer all the questions, but it is

the right place to start. The Washington Post.

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The ever-widening horizon on the timing of the Bundesbank's rate cut — which had widely been forecast for late spring then

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political upset, the

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More important, the opposite maneuver — borrowing dollars
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fine our Wednesday in noting the time that has committeed in a contract that has been according to endorse at the contract to States, acting the stage for higher U.S. short-term rates, or a signal that the Bundesbank is prepared to let German rates decline, the ensting wide differential between U.S. and German interest rates is

errected to keep the dollar weak against the mark.

At the same time, the mark is benefiting from the run out of the markin. Finland, which devalued the markin late last year, is reported to have spent massive amounts of reserves defending the currency last week. Short-term interest rates ended the week at 13.4 sercent, up from 11.5 percent at midweek, but during the same period the markka lost 3 percent against the mark.

ONEY WAS ALSO reported to be moving out of the Swedish krona into the mark on jitters that Sweden might be forced to follow Finland if it devalues again. Both currencies track the European currency unit, of which the Deutsche mark constitutes 30 percent. Thus, Scandinavian moncy looking for protection against devaluation seeks haven in the

The mark also looks set to be a passive beneficiary from the entry of the escudo into the exchange-rate mechanism as Portu-guese interest rates are significantly higher than those in the other high-yielding EC currencies — the Spanish pesets, the Italian lira and sterling - and could cause those currencies to weaken within the exchange-rate mechanism.

Sterling is already weakening against the mark on worries that the election this week may return a Parliament in which no party has a clear majority. And the lira, also buffeted by forthcom elections, is considered a prime candidate for devaluation, with an Italian budget deficit that appears out of control. With the escudo now in the exchange-rate mechanism, investors can earn a higher return on a currency that has less political risk — further reason for interest-sensitive funds moving out of sterling and the lira.

Last but not least is the move out of the yen; where the official discount rate was cut 0.75 percentage point last week, and into

the higher-yielding mark.

Barring a dramatic political upset, such as a comp in Russia, that could trigger a safe haven rush into the dollar, analysis see continued gains for the mark in the period immediately shead. The dollar is headed lower over the near term," said Paul. Chertkow, a London-based analyst at Citibank who is a longterm optimist on the dollar. "It's run out of momentum and could

push down to 1.60 DM, possibly 1.55 DM.

1 still see the dollar back up to 1.77 DM. Jim O'Neill at Swiss Bank Corp. in London has a late-summer target of 1.75 DM to the dollar but acknowledges that in the near term, the U.S. currency could sink further. "I am not really womed about the dollar sliding below 1.58 DM," he said. He said he cavisaged substantial buying potential for the dollar at that level.

But the dollar's break below a key support level of 1.63 DM

last week is causing considerable nervousness. "As expectations for U.S. growth change, this should hurt the dollar, and a further setback from current levels is anticipated," Paribas Capital Markets said in its weekly advisory to clients.

"This should take the dollar back to its uptrend support from

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U.K. Vote

LONDON - Economists said Britain faces higher interest rates if a clear majority does not emerge from this week's election, but no British government will have the scope to cut the cost of borrowing in the next few years, according to a report for release on Monday. "A Labor/Liberal Democrat co-

alition government would be forced to raise interest rates to defend the pound," according to the report from the Ernst & Young ITEM Club, "until investors are convinced that the ERM parity would not be devalued."

The Independent Treasury Economic Model Club was referring to the exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System.

With opinion polls showing the governing Conservative and opposition Labor parties running virtually even, a hung Parliament looks likely after voting Thursday.
But the report said the strength

of the Deutsche mark over the next three years would limit any party's ability for economic maneuver.

"Substantial interest rate cuts

will be prevented by high German rates in the ERM," it said. The report predicted that inflation in the event of a hung Parliament dominated by Labor would be 4 percent in 1994, compared with 2.8 percent under the Conservatives. Unemployment under Labor would be lower and the overall

rate of growth higher of because of

increased public spending. If Labor won a clear majority and did not need the Liberal Democrats, the report said, it would be able to cut interest rates faster becanse the market would not be worried about cracks in a coalition.

But Britain would face higher unemployment under Labor if it introduced a national minimum wage as planned.

The Conservative Party would keep inflation low, the report said. It saw 3.7 percent in 1992 under the Tories, falling to 2.8 percent in 1994.

Rate Rise Escudo Cleared for EC System UN Study Finds Threat in But Higher Rate Is Chosen to Allay Other Nations' Fears LX-Soviet Bloc

the European Community's exchange-rate mechanism on Monday, but its EC partners forced it to Economists Assess enter at a slightly higher exchange rate than it wanted because of conown currencies.

The meeting of the EC's monecide on the terms of Portugal's entry bad been considered a formality. It ended up taking more than eight hours of arduous negotiation to decide the rates. Portugal wanted to enter the Eu-

By Matthew L. Wald

New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Plants that provide 10 percent

of U.S. nuclear power may be closed this decade

because their operating costs are too high to com-

pete against a rising tide of cheap surplus electricity, industry specialists said.

abandoned in the 1970s and 1980s because of their

cost. But the idea that an operating nuclear plant is

not competitive with other sources of electricity violates the fundamental logic of nuclear power,

which is that plants may be expensive to build but

"It used to be that everyone said, once you built

it, there wasn't any question that costs were low-er," said Victor Gilinsky, an energy consultant and former member of the Nuclear Regulatory Com-

mission. "Now they are more expensive to run

In Rowe, Massachusetts, the owners of the 32-

year-old Yankee Rowe reactor decided last month that the plant was too small and too old to justify

the investment needed to keep it in service, given

the general power surplus in its region. Southern California Edison reached a similar judgment re-

cently about its 24-year-old San Onofre 1 plant

near San Clemente, although the plant has not yet

been shut, Last year, the Sacramento Municipal

Utility District decided to shut the Rancho Seco

With only a handful of additional plants likely to

be finished and no new ones on order, the result

could be an accelerated march to the extinction of

nuclear power in the United States. Currently, 108

plants are operating, producing about 20 percent of

U.S. electricity. Some of those, however, are doing

very well; in 1991, 25 plants set records for them-

John F. Ahearne, a former member of the Nu-

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More than 100 plants under construction were

per European currency unit, but 178,735 escudos per Ecu.

the recent market rate of 176 escu-Hung Parliament cerns over possible strains on their dos to the Ecu and represented a 1.6 percent devaluation of the currency.

on Thursday, was especially wor-ried that if the Portuguese currency came in at a below-market rate, it cv in the system.

Competition Burns Nuclear Plants

BRUSSELS - Portugal will join with the escudo's central rate at 180 would have been faced with more downward pressure if the escudo the committee decided to set it at hit its upper limit too rapidly. By adopting a slightly higher rate, the The figure decided on was nearer monetary committee pushed the escudo's trading ceiling up a bit.

"We considered that it was in the interests of the system not to deviate Britain, which is bracing for a that much from the market rate," tary committee on Saturday to de- closely contested general election. Cees Maas, chairman of the monetary panel, said after the meeting.

The escudo, like the pound and the pesets, will be allowed to fluccould put further pressure on the mate up to 6 percent in either direcpound, already the weakest currention from central limits.

tor of Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, said that plants that were not economic were more

likely to be shut now than they would have been a

few years ago. In the last 10 years, he said, the

utilities have come to be dominated by business

managers, replacing what he called "technologists," or "people who were committed to nuclear

power because they thought it was just a good

In the view of the business managers, be said,

"the role of a utility is to make money." They are

the people who canceled over-budget reactor con-

struction projects in the 1980s, he said, and they

are willing to shnt plants now if there are cheaper

The price of oil, which is currently low, plays a

small role in keeping the electricity market competi-

tive, especially in places like New York, which uses

Natural gas plays a far larger role, because it represents about 10 percent of the utilities' fuel use

nationally, and about half the generators recently

completed or under construction use natural gas.

driven down by recession and by conservation measures, with utilities often subsidizing custom-

ers' installation of light bulbs, motors and other

devices that will do the same work with less power

Observers are not sure how many nuclear plants

will shut in this decade. The chairman of the

Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Ivan Selin, said three or four were vulnerable soon. Mr. Ahearne said it could be 10 by the end of the decade.

Mr. Selin said it was unlikely that any utility

would decide to close a plant that was running

smoothly and was not in immediate need of any

major investment. But if a plant required a major

new investment, he said, "that could push it over

than older, less efficient models.

In addition, overall demand for power has been

oil for about 20 percent of electricity generation.

thing for this country."

In Depression

GENEVA - United Nations economists on Snnday forecast plunging output and soaring unemployment for 1992 in the former viet bloc and warned that a depression was destroying popular faith in market reforms.

At the same time the economists, who work for the world body's Economic Commission for Europe, said Western governments had so far provided little genuine aid.

In its annual report on European economies, the commission said the decline across the former Communist states "appears to be on the scale of the Depression of the D

It added, "Many of the people in these countries must now be won-dering whether the invisible hand of the market is really an iron fist." The report, compiled by analysts from the East and West, said fixed investment from government and private sources essential to rebuild

the dilapidated productive capacity of the former planned economies was still falling rapidly. "That has to be reversed if the reform process is to succeed and burgeoning unemployment levels are to be checked," it said. "A growing fear is that the increasing economic strains will lead to disilhiston and impatience with both

the idea of the market and the democratic process. It added, "If the Western governments wish to reduce these growing risks, a much greater commitment to the success of the reform process will be needed on their part."

In the states of the former Soviet Union, the report said, unemployment was estimated at 4 million or more at the start of 1992 and was "likely to grow rapidly as soon as any real restructuring of the economy gets under way."

This forecast appeared to match a rough prediction by the Interna-tional Labor Organization, which also is based in Geneva, that the number of people out of work in these countries could reach 15 milpercent of the work force.

Official figures cited by the report showed unemployment surging throughout 1991 to reach nearly 20 percent in Yugoslavia, where a civil war has been raging, and nearly 12 percent in Poland and 11 percent in Bulgaria.

For five decades under Communist rule the people of the region were used to full, if poorly paid and often unproductive, employment.

The Economic Commission for Europe said gross domestic proddecline probable in 1992, while across Eastern Europe output levels fell on average by about 14 percent after dropping 10 percent in 1990.

The 278-page document was compiled before last week's announcement of a \$24 billion pack-

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German Bank Pay **Rises 6.4%**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BONN - Bank employees have obtained a 6.4 percent pay increase, spokesmen for the negotiators said, capping four months of talks and several weeks of strikes.

The deal gives employees a 5.4 percent wage increase as well as two annual premiums, bringing the total increase to

The trade unions had originally sought a 10.5 percent in-crease, while the employers said they did not want salaries to climb more than 5 percent. The accord, reached Saturday, will come into effect retroactively to Feb. 1 for the 430,000 bank employees in Western Germany and April 1 for the 25,000 bank employees in Eastern Germany, whose

Western levels. Western Germany's steel workers set the mood of this year's round of wage negotia-6.35 percent increase hours before they were due to launch a massive strike in February.

salaries are at 75 percent of

Negotiations in the civil service sector remained deadlocked, with trade unions demanding a 9.5 percent salary increase as well as a holiday bonus for the 2.3 million employees and the government refusing to exceed 3.5 percent. (AFP, Reuters)

Can Japan's Central Banker Deflate the Bubble?

By Floyd Norris

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Nobody has had a tougher job than Yasushi Mieno, the Japanese central banker who set out in 1989 to pierce Japan's "bubble economy," as he called it, without hurring the real economy.

Now, with the Japanese economy reeling - anto sales have been down for 16 of the last 17 months and industrial production is down 4 percent from a year ago — Japan is confronting the reality of what John Kenneth Galbraith wrote about Wall Street in 1929: "A bubble can easily be punctured. But to incise it with a needle so that it subsides gradually is a task of no small delicacy."

In Tokyo last week, the Japanese market succeed at the government's caricature of a fiscal-stimulus package and then scorned Mr. Mieno's decision to cut the discount rate by only three-quarters of a percentage point. When the dust

NEW YORK --- H. Ross Perot, who contracted

an acute case of White House fever after walking out on General Motors Corp. and taking a few

billion dollars with him, says the United States should take a lesson from GM's plight and start

reinventing itself before time runs out. That's a

says David C. Munro, who spent a decade as its

chief economic forecaster, it may already be too

late: "They have a one-in-four chance of making it,

and they'll have to hit the wall pretty hard to shake themselves up." The principal problem with the

world's largest auto company, he says, is its "ele-phantine mass," which was compacted in another

age when cultures were stable, economies separate,

in information and ideas from others, and at the

top it has a history of resisting change from out-

side. There are an awful lot of people in that

bureaucracy who only know what others are think-

ing down the hall," said Mr. Munro, who recently joined the New York advisory firm, High Frequen-

cy Economics. When he left GM last year, it was

only half the size it was a decade before, when he

arrived. Now he is not sure what will be left when

Selling the Non-American Dream

American investors have suddenly awoken to

non-American stock markets, creating a net out-

flow in portfolio investment of about \$30 billion last year. The previous high, set in 1989, was only \$13 billion, making 1991 "a watershed year," ac-

cording to David Strongin, director of internation-

al research for the Securities Industry Association.

called "Global Investing" has taken off like a Third World stock. Founded last August by Vivian

Lewis, a New York financial journalist who for-

merly worked in Europe, it already has close to

2,000 subscribers, which may be partly explained

by the performance of its model portfolio of non-

American bonds, buy-and-hold stocks, and specu-

lative issues: up 15.6 percent since last August over-all, and 26.2 percent for the most speculative

Mrs. Lewis is delighted by her success but sur-

prised by one thing: her subscribers. She originally

targeted small investors but found too many still

fearful of foreign entanglements. Instead, her sub-

scription list has become increasingly weighted

toward fund managers and institutions, including

such heavies as Gabelli & Co., Lazard Frères,

group of the portfolio.

Cashing in on this, a twice-monthly newsletter

the company enters the next millenium.

"GM doesn't have a very good history of pulling

New York Notebook

and markets predictable.

new twist on the old saw that what's good for General Motors is good for the country. For GM, cleared, the Nikkei 225 index was down 5.5 percent for the destined to drop, and not just because of the economy.

For optimists, there was some cheering news. Fundamen-

tals, which Japan used to ignore, actually seem to count now. Such blue-chip stocks as Sony and Matsushita were up for the week, and it is possible to argue with a straight face that, based on cash flow, some Japanese blue chips are not much more expensive than their American counterparts. It is tempting to conclude that any market selling for less

than half its high must be a good buy. On the other side are the fears that there are still many losses yet to be admitted by the banks and insurance companies, some of which placed big bets against falling stock prices a couple of years ago.
Unfortunately, it appears that corporate cash flows are

Capital Management, and T. Rowe Price.

an area where nothing existed before.

Bergsten's Baby Throws a Party

Next month the Institute for International Eco-

nomics celebrates its tenth anniversary with a Washington dinner of, by and for the great and

good. Events like this have helped make the think tank one of the capital's establishment fixtures in

For years after the Bretton Woods system col-

lapsed, big-time foundations were unable to organize an institute focusing on international econom-

ic coordination. Then came C. Fred Bergsten, a

hyperkinetic former official of the Nixon and Car-

ter administrations who knew where the money

was. A quarter of his financing came from the

German Marshall Fund in early years, and it still underwrites about 10 percent of his annual budget

When Iraq invaded Kuwait, the institute was

ready with a study of economic sanctions. It pros-

pers by staying close to the news, which tells some-

thing about the City of Winds on the Potomac: The

all-purpose Washington think tank is centuries away from the monastic ideal of contemplation.

For Daimler, the Future Is Mexico

week, despite a small rebound on Friday.

"For the first time in modern history, the Japanese market has not responded to lower interest rates," said Barton Biggs, Morgan Stanley's global strategist. "That is very negative."

Companies borrowed trillions of yen at interest rates that were very low or even, as James Lyle, manager of Fidelity's Overseas Fund, points out, negative. That was because the bonds came with warrants, allowing buyers to profit if stock prices kept rising. More than \$100 billion of such bonds will mature in the next two years, to be refinanced at much higher rates.

■ Nikkei Ought to Be at 25,000. Watanabe Sava The Japanese foreign minister and deputy prime minister. Michio Watanabe, said Saturday that the Nikkei average on the Tokyo Stock Exchange should stand at 25,000 to 26,000, Agence France-Presse reported from Tokyo. This level is "natural" in view of Japan's economic funda-

mentals, Mr. Watanabe said. The Nikkei index dropped through the psychologically important level of 20,000 on March 16, lt now stands at 18,559.71.

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 assessing the impact of demergers Europe

Edzard Renter and much of his managing board came through New York recently touting Daimler-Benz as the very model of the international hightech company that sees "the world as a competitive village." The chairman of Europe's largest manufacturer (cars, trucks, aerospace, electrical machinery) said that contracts have been signed for bus and truck production in Russia but that financing is dicey, and while Daimler-Benz is ready for joint ventures there in aircraft and space technology, it will wait for a solid legal structure.

Nevertheless Daimler-Benz does want to spread around its production no matter how Germany's labor talks come out. Mr. Reuter said that while Germany is a good place for high-level industrial products, costs are lower in such less-developed countries as Mexico and Korea. Mercedes-Benz is planning a Mexican assembly plant for its top-ofthe line S Class cars, concentrating on the Mexican and then the Latin American markets. Why not send the cars north when the North American Free Trade Area opens the way? Helmut Werner, Mercedes' deputy chairman, conceded that in the United States, what sells his cars is the very fact that they are made in Germany, and a made-in-Mexico Mercedes might oot carry the same mechanical cachet. So much for the global village.

Lawrence Malkin

Bias Toward Easing Grows on Fed Panel

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The policy-making committee of the Federal Reserve Board unanimously decided in February to give Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan the latitude to lower interest rates further if the economy continued to languish.

The minutes of the February meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee were released Friday. Minutes of previous meetings showed that the 12 members of the committee, while concerned about the economy's sluggishness, were divided on whether to ease

Traditionally, a unanimous decision has empowered the chairman to cut rates as much as 0.5 percentage point without consulting the committee. But Fed officials say Mr. Greenspan is loath to adjust rates by even 0.25 percentage point without consulting the panel.

Economists who follow the Fed say the central bank has not lowered rates since the Feb. 4-5 meeting because the economy has shown some signs of recovery since then. The last time the Fed lowered rates was Dec. 20, when it cut the discount rate to 3.5 percent from 4.5 percent.

The report noted that during discussions at the meeting, many members expressed fears that the effects of earlier rate cuts "could prove to be less stimulative than anticipated."

It added that "the persistence of a weak economy might well have especially severe consequences, and, in the view of some members, signs of such an outcome would call for prompt action." The committee met again Tuesday, but the minutes of that meeting will not be released until May 22.

Bonds Post Third Straight Rise

Tepid Economic Outlook Calms Fears of Rising Rates

NEW YORK - U.S. government bonds rallied for the third consecutive week on indications

the American economy is not ready to shift into high gear.

The market's beliwether security, the 30-year Treasury, which gained 17/32 point the prior week, tacked on 24/32 to close at 101 13/32. At that price, the issue returned 7.88 percent, down from 7.94 percent. Analysts said bond prices were boosted by a slightly weaker-than-expected report on U.S. employ-

ing monetary policy soon.

The conventional wisdom is that the economy is in a recovery phase, albeit a very modest one, said Trude Latimer, market strate-

ment during March and a growing

conviction the Federal Reserve

Board would not consider tighten-

gist at Josephthal Lyon & Ross. The return of some economic growth, shown over the past week in several reports, pushed bond yields up from their low levels of January, but the shageish nature of the growth appears to have capped them from rising any further," she said.

A Labor Department report ticipants to become comfortable showing the U.S. civilian unemployment rate remained flat at 7.3 analysts, that the economy would percent of the work force in March be distinctly less robust than in assuaged fears of inflation. The demost rebounds. "If this were a trapartment said nonfarm jobs rose by ditional recovery, we would be see-19,000, to 108.886 million, in ing employment rising by 200,000 March, and that the gain in Febru- to 250,000 a month," one trader ary was only 107,000, not the said. "But right now we are strug-164,000 previously reported.

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"The report depicts an economy that is not ready to kick into high gear yet," Ms. Latimer said. "The recovery is too weak and money supply growth too slow for the Fedcral Reserve to consider tightening monetary policy."

The Fed reported its M2 measure of money supply fell \$10.2 billion during the week, a much larger decline than the \$1.4 billion contraction generally expected. M2 comprises cash and checking savings, and bank money-market accounts.

Traders said the employment data and the downturn in money growth were allowing market par-

gling to see positive numbers."

In addition to the softer-thanexpected employment data, a report Friday said March car sales were at a sluggish seasonally ad-

justed annual rate of 6.2 million. "Car sales were fairly poor in March." said Raymond W. Stone, a managing director at Stone & Mc-Carthy Research Associates in Princeton, New Jersey, "and that means retail sales will probably be flat to down."

Significant price gains were recorded among short-term securi-ties, suggesting that market participants were beginning to think the Fed might ease monetary policy. Two-year bonds rose 8/32, to 100 23/32, reducing their yield to 5.38 percent from 5.67.

German Inflation Expected to Fall

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

FRANKFURT — German inflation probably peaked at 4.7 percent in March and should fall sharply later this year, a Bundesbank board member, Otmar Issing, said in a radio interview Sunday.

Mr. Issing said: "It is unlikely that inflation will rise to 5 percent before it eases again. I certainly expect to see a 3 before the decimal point by the end of the year."

He said that the inflation rate likely would start to fall in July, when increases in energy taxes introduced in July last year will cease to affect the annual figure.

While forecasts of 1.5 percent growth in Western Germany this year might be set, he added, this was becoming less likely.

He added there were reasons to believe that the slow. economic growth would turn stronger soon. The 1991 slowdown was really only a welcome return to normal after years of strong growth, he said.

"But I would not go so far as to say that we are still in a phase of normalization. We have certainly taken a further turn for the worse," he said.

Mr. Issing said a recession was not likely. He said he expected exports to recover this year and said domestic factors also indicated "that we will not sink into a

He said German rates would remain high, adding that current credit expansion and money supply growth were too rapid to allow an interest rate cut. But he added that high rates meant the Bundesbank was likely to make high profits again this year, last week it said it would transfer 14.46 billion Deutsche marks (\$8.85 billion) of income from last year's operations to

Uniroyal Chemical Halts Planned IPO, Note Issue

NEW YORK - Uniroyal Chemical Co. on Friday canceled its planned bond sale and initial public stock offering, sending the company's bonds down as much as 4 cents on the dollar.

UCC Investors Holding Inc., parent of Uniroyal Chemical, said it canceled the planned sale of \$400 million of common stock and \$350 million of senior notes because of market conditions. "The demand just wasn't there for the price we were asking," said

Robert Petrausch, a UCC spokesman. The company had planned to sell the stock at \$14 to \$16 a share. But industry analysts said concern about the business prospects of Uniroyal Chemical, which makes agricultural chemicals, specialty

chemicals and synthetic rubbers, triggered the decision.
Uniroyal Chemical's debt totaled \$870.9 million as of Dec. 31, a level that concerned some investors, said Hope Crifo, an analyst at Duff & Pheips/MCM. Investors also raised concerns about the company's ability to increase earnings after it told investors recently that first-quarter earnings would be below prior-year levels, she said.

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British Airways Still Seeks Tie-Up

LONDON (Bloomberg) — British Airways PLC remains interested in cooperating with another carrier, an airline spokesman said on Smday, but he refused to confirm a report that the company and KLM Royal Datch Airways had reopened merger talks.

The Sunday Times newspaper reported that British Air and KLM

officials were discussing a merger; similar negotiations collapsed five

Air France Stake in Sabena Cleared

BRUSSELS (Renters) — The Belgian government said Sunday that it had approved a deal giving Air France a 36.5 percent stake in Sabena, the troubled state-owned airline.

Transport Minister Guy Coeme said the approval allowed the completion of a restructuring plan under which Belgium will subscribe nine billion Belgian francs (\$270 million) of a planned 15 billion francespital increase for Sabena. The remainder will have to be provided by Air France.

Belgian Budget Aims to Cut Deficit

BRUSSELS (Reuters) - The new center-left government of Belgium on Sanday announced new texes and spending cuts, mainly in social security, to try to reduce the country's budget deficit.

The measures, totaling 75 billion Belgian francs, include a 1 percent

social security tax, lower unemployment allowances, lower medicine subsidies, and reduced tax deductibility of pension savings plans. Hyundai Denies It Funded Campaign

SECUL (AFP) - The Hyandai group of South Korea has denied government accusations that one of its subsidiaries illegally financed a political party recently launched by the group's founder.

The group on Saturday denied an accusation by the Office of Bank Supervision that Hyundai Electronics Industries Co. withdrew \$6.3 million in overdrafts from the Korea Enchange Bank in January to illegally finance the March 24 election bid by Chung Ju Yung and his Unification National Party.

Latin American Economies Perk Up

Bond Issuers Find Strong Demand a Welcome Side Effect

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic - Latin America is finally emerging from a prolonged economic crisis, but now it needs to make "additional and urgent efforts" to fight widespread poverty, the Inter-American Development Bank said in a report to be published Monday.

"Latin America and the Caribbean made impressive gains in eco-nomic growth during 1991, revers-ing the generally weak performance that persisted throughout the 1980s," the bank said in its most stic annual report in recent

The 1980s, known in Latin America as the "lost decade," wreaked havoc in the region's economies. As a result, average per capita output in the region still stands The report said that most countries in the area have managed to put their massive debt and remaway inflation under control, while economic stabilization programs brought in new capital inflows. Eco-

2.7 percent in 1991, and that rate is expected to be sustained this year. For the first time in more than a decade, some countries, notably Mexico, Chile and Venezuela, regained access to capital markets

that was previously denied because of a lack of confidence in the re- debt issues. "Issues are coming also made last year in trade liberalization, free enterprise, decentralization and privatization.

Securities analysts noted, meanwhile, that Latin American companies are finding strong demand in the international capital markets among investors drawn by high "Investors are getting more and

more comfortable with Latin American fixed-income," said Omotunde A.J. Mahoney, an analyst at Nomura Securities. More than \$2 billion in debt has

been issued by Latin American companies since Jan. 1, up sharply from \$225 million in the same period last year, according to Nomma. Investors also are attracted by the

preciate as economic reforms insti-

tuted in Mexico, Argentina and Brazil take hold, analysts said. John Gordon, president of Del-tee Securities, said he expected the market for Latin American corponomic growth in the region totaled rate debt to grow and broaden as low U.S. interest rates and the need for capital investment in the region create both supply and demand. Deltee has invested about one-

Brazil is leading the wave of new gion, the bank said. Inroads were from state-owned enterprises and strong banks," said Vincent Perez, head of emerging markets at Lazard Frères & Co.

On Monday, Companhia Vale do Rio Doce, a leading Brazilian iron ore producer, is to sell a \$150 million three-year Eurobond issue, to be managed by Chase Invest-ment Bank. The issue is expected to be priced to yield 300 basis points, or 3 percentage points, more than yields on comparable U.S. Treasury securities. In September, it sold \$200 million of three-year 10 percent bonds priced to yield 500 basis points more than Treasury

Banco Multiplic, which is 50 percent owned by Lloyds Bank PLC, plans to sell \$50 million of two-and-a-half-year honds in late April Banco do Brasil is expected to issue \$150 million of bonds, and Banco Nacional de Desenvolvi is said to be considering a \$100 million issue.

Last week, six Latin American issuers sold a total of \$360 million of new debt placed to European investors, including a seven-year issue by Nacional Financiera of Mexico. The company, known as Nafinsa, sold \$100 million of 9% third of its \$600 million portfolio in percent bonds to yield 9.527 per-(Reuters, Bloomberg)

Finland Sets \$2 Billion in **Spending Cuts**

HELSINKI - The center-right coalition government on Sunday announced 10 billion markka (\$2.19 billion) in state spending cuts in a bid to restore confidence in the recession-battered economy and the national currency. "Only by tough measures was it

possible to make the necessary savings," Prime Minister Esko Aho said at a news conference. "Only in this way can the debt spiral threatening the whole national economy and state economy be broken." In a related move, President

Manno Koivisto appointed Sinkka Hamalainen as central bank governor. She will replace Rolf Kuliberg, who decided over the weekend to

Aho on Bank of Finland policy.

The government also decided to proceed with plans to lift restrictions on foreign ownership of companies next Jan. 1. From that date, a new 25 percent capital tax and corporate tax rate would be introduced. A new system of value-added tax would be introduced in 1994.

Gross domestic product declined 6.2 percent in 1991. The once-lucrative export market in the Soviet Union collapsed.

WALL STREET REVIEW

Figures as of close of trading Friday, April 3.

CAPITAL: Mark Gains Strength on Several Fronts

should provide some support. If they fail, then sharp fails in the dollar are to be expected."

The dollar ended the week at 1.6267 DM, down from 1.6405 DM a week carlier. The U.S. currency was little changed at 133.450 yea, compared with 133.035 yea, but the yea lost nearly 2 percent against the mark during the week.

Volatility in the currency markets and concern in all major secton about heavy supply from wid-uing government deficits putting apward pressure on bond yields left investors with little appetite for

buying fixed-coupon bonds.

Activity in the Eurobond market rousined slow, and the highlight last week was a \$1 billion offering of five-weet notes from Norway.

Let investors with nute appearance with nute appearance is widely deemed to be too aggressive, making it impossible for managers to distribute paper at the stated price.

Deutsche Bank last week went a bendoned even Carrying a coupon of 7/4 pencent and priced at 99.58, the paper yielded 0.25 of a percentage point more than comparably dated U.S. government notes. That 25 basis Point spread was at the top end of to get rid of it, regardless of wheth-what Deutsche Bank and its 10 co- er they could make a profit or not. lead managers thought would be needed to clear the market.

Norway's previous dollar issue, offered at a spread of 28 basis

wee less keen on buying highly liq-and and tightly priced sovereign pa-AB, the single-A-rated Swedish paper yielding 85 basis points over benchmark levels, and Compagnie ing all of their commissions.

Bancaire of France will be seeking Ulrich Damm, head of the EIB's up to \$500 million.

sche Bank's method of marketing a lowest. He said, "It's up to banks to dependent States to form its own 12-year issue of 480 million Ecus decide how they want to market the economic region.

Typically these days, managers aim to arrive at a consenses on what price is needed to clear the market and then set a re-offered price, which is the uniform level at which all managers agree to sell

paper during syndication. This prevents managers from flogging paper at different prices just to get rid of their underwriting commitment and aims to assure a minimum level of compensation for the underwriters.

Of late, the form has been respected but not the substance, as new issues have been priced at lev-

step further and abandoned even the form of a fixed re-offered price - a return to the bad old days when managers were free to sell paper at whatever level they could

The decision to break with the form was controversial even within Deutsche Bank. But arguments offered at a spread of 28 basis that the bank risked sending a sig-points, was trading at 12 basis nal to the market that it did not points over the benchmark rate, care about the profitability of the With the U.S. bond market improving Norway's paper rose in proving Norway's paper rose in demand for 300 million Eens of the demand for 300 million Eens of the ing of the securities, which drove paper, the decision was made to back with interest." the spread on the new issue up to market it as a private placement. tearly 28 hasis points. leaving the half-dozen co-managers
Rankers reported that clients to sell the remaining 100 million

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to \$500 million.

capital-market operations, said allowed to join the European Commander controversy in the that four banks bid for the deal and munity and instead pointed to the market last week concerned Deut- that Deutsche Bank's offer was the

(Continued from that fisance page) for the European Investment Bank paper. If they decide to do it with-the January lows. These levels priced at 100.66. out fees or commissions, that's thereby records some support. If Typically these days, managers exerting any pressure on banks to reduce fees

"The EIB is a permanent borrower in the market and wants underwriters to want to do business with us. It would be self-defeating if we were to try to squeeze them on commissions. They would lose in-terest in doing business with us," he

"If Deutsche Bank proposes terms it says it can live with, I see no reason for us to refuse to accept

Economic Chaos

(Confinmed from first finance page) age from the Group of Seven industrialized countries to underpin the economy of Russia.

But economists involved in the report said over the weekend that the package, while a useful immediate boost and important politically to the administration of President Boris N. Yeltsin, could create more problems in the longer term.

"Like so much of Western aid so far," one said, "it is debt-creating, since much of it will have to be paid The report said the amount of

genuine assistance, which it defined as grants and low-interest loans, from the West had been small "despite the considerable publicity given to the growing number of finan-

Kohl Wants EC to Bar CIS Resters

BONN — Chancellor Heimut Kohl said that the former republics of the Soviet Union should not be. need for the Commonwealth of In-

Swiss Bank Corp. Offers Bets on Asian Blue Chips

ZURICH — Swiss Bank Corp. plans to issue up to 10,000 Guaranteed Return on investment units, with returns linked to bluechip stocks on Southeast Asian markets and capital risk limited, SBC Zurich said.

The so-called golden dragon units are a combined investment in the money market and in a basket of stock options with a one-year maturity. Units are issued at par in denominations of 5,000 Swiss francs (\$3,360).

The units gnarantee investors a return of 95 percent of invested capital with an indicated maximum yield of 20.30 percent, subject to exchange-rate fluctuations. The maturity date is April 13, 1993. The stock options in the basket are on shares of Swire Pacific Ltd. Bangkok Bank Ltd., Sime Darby Bhd., Singapore Airlines Ltd. and Pabrik Kertas Tjiwi Kimia PT of Indonesia.

The indicative terms are based on a basket price of 1.004.15 francs and a London interbank offered rate of 8 5/16 percent. Definitive pricing is set for April 13.

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Shureholders are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday April 22th, 1992 at the office of the ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Vijzelstraat 32, Amsterdam.

ACENDA

Report of the Management for the financial year 1991 and report of the Supervisory Board.

3. Adoption of the Annual Accounts for the financial year 1991.

4. Appropriation of the 1991 result.

5. Any other business.

The respective documents are available at the office of the Company, Noorderstraat 6, 1017 TV Amsterdam. Holders of bearer shares wishing to attend the General Meeting unst deposit their shares ultimately on Thursday April 16th, 1992 before 16:00 p.m. with the ABN AMRO Bank N.V. or with Banque de Neuflize, Schlumberger, Mallet, in Paris. A deposit certificate will be issued to such shareholders, which, upon surrender, will entitle them to attend the meeting and cast their

Furthermore the annual report for 1991 can be obtained free of change at ABN-de Neuflize International Investment Advisory Company B.V., Noorderstraat 6, 1017 TV Amsterdam. Amsterdam, April 2nd, 1992.

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Herald Eribune

Prices fluctuated in narrow
Finges, with uncertainty about wait-and-see attitude prevailed.
The DAX spot trend index gained and Prices and see the company annings weighing on the market. The CBS all-share index doed Priday at 2013 points unchanged from a week tarker.

Overall volume was 6.8 billion with a see that the control of the c

guildes, down from 7.9 billion, while equity volume was 2.26 billion guiders; down from 2.30 billion.

AMERICAN EXCHANGE OPTIONS

changes was 26.88 billion Deutsche marks, compared with 27.81 billion DM the previous week.

Profit-taking and nervousness ahead of the British general election sent share prices lower. The Hang Seng index lost 90.88 points,

Option & price Colls

Prices plunged for the fifth week in a row as uncertainty grew be-

Option & price Calls

In the chemical sector, BASF gained 1.10 DM, Hoechst added 3.30 and Bayer was down 2.50.

Among banks, Deutsche Bank gained 0.50 and Commerzbank 0.20; Dreschier lost 4.70.

BMW gained 7.00, Volkswagen 18.40 and Mercedes 7.00.

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Profit-taking period. On Monday, the Hang Seng fell below the 5,000-point mark, which it broke through on March 11.

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Privatized utilities lost ground cause of the prospects of a victory on fears that a Labor government would introduce tighter regulations. PowerGen lost 1.5 percent-during the week, National Power shed 2 percent and Thames Water fell 4 percent.

average 30 million shares a day worth 85 billion lire trading hands.
Among blue chips, communications issues performed well. SIP was up 5.70 percent and STET gained 3.76 percent.

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The STraits Times industrial Index tweek before.

Daily volume averaged 280 million shares, up from the previous week's 268.4 million. The value of stocks traded fell from 274.6 billion

Generali rose 3.20 percent, CIR The ST index, taking its cue from was up 2.50 percent and Fiat Tokyo, where the Nikkei hit a five-gained 0.86 percent. Olivetti gained year low Tuesday, fell through the Zurich

jittery Tokyo market sent share

Price Index plunged 107.48 points, after a 23.01-point setback the

stocks traded fell from 274.6 billion yen to 262.9 billion yen.

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SPORTS BASEBALL

Preview of the National League: Champs, for Better and for Worse

There are lots of reasons to think

the Atlanta Braves will be even better this year. The Braves and Los Angeles Dodgers battled for first place into the final weekend of on (72 steals) and Deion Sanders. last season, and that might happen

The Braves finished 94-68 last season, when most of the experts had picked them to finish fifth. But as the season went on, starters Tom Glavine. Steve Avery and John Smoltz all improved and turned the Braves into winners.

Terry Pendleion, the National League most valuable player, raught the team to believe it could win, and John Schuerholz, the general manager, made the mix even better late in the season by acquiring the New York Mets reliever Afejandro Pena.

The Dodgers led the league in pitching, and that may not be so asy in 1992 because Tim Belcher and Mike Morgan no longer are on

The Doogers' general manager, Fred Claire, said. "I think the addi-tion of Eric Davis will be a key

acquisition for us. The Cincinnati Reds may have the best starting rotation in the group with Jose Rijo. Tom Brown-ing, Greg Swindell and Belcher, But there's some concern about reliever Roh Dibble's sore right shoulder.

ATLANTA BRAVES Barring injury. Glavine (20-11), Avery (18-8) and Smoltz (14-13) are going to get better. Smoltz was 2-11 last season before the All-Star break and 12-2 after that. The Braves also

have Pena in the bullpen. The starring cast is back in the starting lineup, but there are miss a start or two because of a doubts that Pendleton can repeat his .319. 22 homers and 86 RBIs.

comes from outfielders Ron Gant (32 home runs, 105 RBIs) and David Justice (21 homers, 87 RBIs). The speed will come from Ous Nix-

LOS ANGELES DODGERS If healthy, the combination of

boyhood pals Darryl Strawberry and Davis has some scary poten tial. The Dodgers also have center fielder Breit Butler, who led the league in runs scored for the second time in his career. Mike Scioscia, old reliable, re-

turns as catcher. The pitching was weakened by the defection of Morgan to the Cubs, but knuckleballer Tom Candioru was signed to go with Ramon Martinez. Orel Hershiser. Boh Ojeda and Kevin Gross.

CINCINNATI REDS

The Reds went from a World Series title to a 74-88 record and a fifth-place finish in 1991. The big change was the trade of Davis to Los Angeles for Belcher. Manager Lou Piniella has been im-

ter fielder Reggie Sanders, who hit .315 with eigh! homers and 49 RBIs in the minors last season. Right fielder Paul O'Neill led the Reds with 28 homers and 91 RBIs.

pressed with the play of rookie cen-

The rest of the outfield is deep. The infield remains one of the best in

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

The Giants usually run out of quality pitchers about mid-June, so Kevin Mitchell was traded to Seattle for Bill Swift, Mike Jackson and Dave Burha, Trevor Wilson may

The bullpen is deep with Dave Righetti (24 saves). Jackson and Jeff Brantley leading the way.

SAN DIEGO PADRES The Padres finished 84-78 and third last season, and if San Diego gets off to a slow start. Greg Rid-

doch could be the first managerial

casualty of the season. There are 100 many holes in the Padres' lineup to think they will play much above .500 baseball. There's Fred McGriff, Tony Gwynn, Benito Santiago, Gary Shelfield and a lot of inconsistent hitting after that.

The Crack of a Bat

By Dick Roraback

And the first of the cafe commandos

And the sound of spring beats a bolero

The sound that is missed more than any

There's a stirring down at Vincennes Zoo And the kid down the hall's getting restless

And the concierge sunning her cat But the heart's with the Cubs and the Tigers

While a little guy chickies for cops
"Goal for us," "Na it's not," "You're a liar,"
Then the classical shrieks of a spat

But it's not like a rhubarb at home plate

Or the sound of the crack of a ball

As Paree sheds her coat and her hat

Is the sound of the crack of a bat.

There's an animal kind of a feeling

Taking stairs like a young kangaroo

Now the dandy is walking his poodle

And the sound of the crack of a bat.

With a couple of cartons for props Kicking goals à la Fontaine or Kopa

In the park on the corner run schoolboys

Are moving outside for a fine

Away on this side of the ocean When the chestmas are hinting of green

Andy Benes, Greg Harris and Craig Lefferts has a chance to make have caught up with the rest of the the Padres contenders. The bullpen National League East by going in was helped by the acquisition of the wrong direction. left hander Randy Myers.

HOUSTON ASTROS

is quite good. After Pete Harnisch (12-9, 2.70 ERA), the pitching staff has a lot of talented youngsters who aren't

In the West, the Braves Are Back and the Team to Beat Pirates' Financial Squeeze Makes an Opening in the East

The five other teams had an average record of 78-84 in 1991, with The last-place Astros were 37-44 only St. Louis above .500 at 84-78. at home in 1991 and a miserable 28-53 on the road. Houston is re-huilding with youth and the infield is quite good.

The last-place Astros were 37-44

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The Cardinals finished 14 games behind the Pirates. Philadelphia and Chicago were 20 back, and the New York Mets 20½. Montreal was last, 261/2 games out.

The other teams needed a lot of help to get back into the chase, and the Pirates gave it to them. Gone

Here the stadia thrill to the scrumdowns

And the soccer fans flock to the games

And the chic punt the nags out at Longchamp

Where the women are dames and not dames

But it's different at Forbes and at Griffith

Where the hotdog and peanut share laurels With the sound af the crack af a bat.

No, a Yank can't describe to a Frenchman

Changing hist ry with each strike and ball

Nor the half-smothered grace of a hook slide. Nor the sound of the crack of a bat.

Nor the self-conscious jog of the slugger Rounding third with the tip of his hat

Now, the golfer is buffing his niblick

And the fisherman's flexing his flyrod Like a thousand and one other springs Oh, the sports on both sides af the ocean

Dick Roraback is a former Sports Editor of the Herald Tribune

His springtime elegy has appeared in this space since the 1960s.

Have a great deal in common, at that

But the thing that's not HERE

Is the sound of the crack of a bat.

At this time of the year

The homes of the Buc and the Nat

The rasp of an umpire's call The continuing charms of statistics

Even with the loss of Bonilla, the Pirates were picked by many to win the division because of a starting rotation headed by Doug Drabek, Smiley and Zane Smith. But in another financial move, the Pirates traded Smiley to Minnesota for two minor-league prospects. Smiley, a left-hander, won 20 games last season and is in the prime of his career.

Smiley was traded for Denny Neagle, a top pitching prospect, and a minor league outfielder.

Financially speaking, the Mets made the biggest noise, but they still have pitching and fielding problems. If Greg Maddux, Mike Morgan and Danny Jackson are healthy, the Cubs may emerge as the team to beat in a shaky division.

CHICAGO CUBS

The thinking a year ago was that if Jackson and reliever Dave Smith had decent seasons the Cubs might actually win the division. They didn't and Chicago ended up fourth in the East at 77-83.

Hitting is not the problem. Any lineup that has Ryne Sandberg, Mark Grace, Andre Dawson and Shawon Dunston has a chance to do some heavy damage.

But all that hitting last season wasn't enough to overcome the pitching staff's 4.03 ERA, the worst

The Cubs need a much better performance from Smith as the bullpen stopper. He was 0-6 last year with a 6.00 ERA and only 17 saves.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES The Pirates will stay in the hunt because of steady defense, good

The Associated Press
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The Pirates acquired outfielder Kirk Gibson to help make up for the loss of Bonilla. The key with Gibson is staying healthy. Leyland also has to worry about center fielder Andy Van Slyke's chronic back problems

NEW YORK METS

The Mets collapsed in almost every area last season, and only avoided a last-place finish because they won 14 of 18 against Montreal. The new general manager, Al Harazin, promised to shake things up and he kept his word. His best move might turn out to be hiring

Jeff Torborg as manager. Harazin signed free agents Bon-illa, Eddie Murray and Willie Randolph. He also acquired the twotime Cy Young Award winner Bret Saberhagen from Kansas City.
The Mets' offense is improved,

but the defense remains very shaky. The addition of Saberhagen won't mean that much if Dwight Gooden (shoulder) and Sid Fernandez (knee) don't make it back

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS The Cardinals' big winner last season was Bryn Smith at 12-9, yet Joe Torre guided St. Louis to an 84-78 record and a second-place finish. There's reason to think the Cardi-

nals will be even better this year. The fences have been moved in at cavernous Busch Memorial Stadium, and that should make new first baseman Andres Galarraga happy. Torre is hoping Galarraga will drive in about 100 runs.

The Cardinals could make a senous run if both reliever Todd Wor. rell and left-hander Joe Magrane make it back from injuries. The bullpen is led by Lee Smith, who

set an NL record with 47 saves. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES The Phillies were at least hoping to start the season healthy. But in

to start the season neartny. But in the first few weeks of spring train-ing, first baseman Ricky Jordan suffered a broken jaw when hit by a line drive during fielding practice and John Kruk separated his shoul.

and John Kruk separated his shoulder diving for a grounder.

The pitching, always a cause for concern in Philadelphia, slowly seems to be improving. Terry Mnl. holland (16-13) is the ace of a young staff that includes Tommy Greene. Jose Delesus, Pat Combs, Jason Grimsley, Kyle Abbott and Alan Ashby. Mitch Williams (30 saves) will have some help in the bullpen with the acquisition of Barry Jones. with the acquisition of Barry Jones
The spark for the Phillies offense
will come from the outfield of Wes Chamberlain, Len Dykstra and

Dale Murphy.

MONTREAL EXPOS

At least the Expos can play in Olympic Stadium at the start of the season. Because of structural damage to the stadium, Montreal had a 26-game, 28-day season-ending road trip and set a major league record with 93 games on the road. Manager Tom Runnells will

have the Expos running a lot because there isn't much power. Ken Hill, traded for Galarraga, joins Dennis Martinez, Mark Gard-ner, Chris Nabholz and possibly Brian Barnes or Chris Hancy. The bullpen doesn't have a stopper, so John Wetteland, Bill Sampen and Mel Rojas will take turns.

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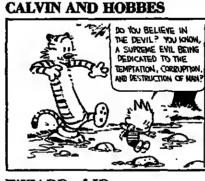








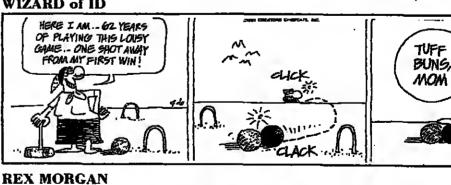
















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SPORTS NCAA SEMIFINALS

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ing in the La Wolverines Edge Past Cincinnati, 76-72

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The Cardinal's could have seen if both reliever last By William C. Rhiodien time with some assistance from upper last it back from lock to May Fast Times Service perclassmen—switched gears and building as led by Lee Service than half of their National Colledity night to earn a berth in the NCAA national championship gate Athletic Association semifines on Monday.

semifinal and is seeking to be the first repeat champion since UCLA in 1973. Jimmy King scored 17 points. Chris Webber added 16 and Jalen Rose 13, as Michigan earned its second berth in the final since 1989, when it won the national

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Needing to inbound the ball, Lactiner lobbed near midcourt to

By Michael Martinez

New York Times Service LOS ANGELES - Western Kentucky advanced to

the women's college basketball championship game with an 84-72 victory over Southwest Missouri State, partly because the Lady Toppers were less prone to

In the championship game on Sunday, Western Kentucky was to play Stanford, which held on to defeat Virginia, 66-65, in the second semifinal.

By the end of the opening Final Four game at the Los Angeles Sports Arena — a two-and-a-half-hour contest

that might have tested the patience of its national television andience — both teams combined for 57

tumovers. Each made more immovers than baskets.

Was that simply aloppiness or just good defense?

"It was a little bit like war to me," Paul Sanderford, the Western Kentucky coach, said afterward. "You can't play pretty basketball when it's that physical."

Physical, indeed: Four Western Kentucky (27-7)

players fouled out, including three starters: Debbae Scott, Liesa Lang and Paulette Monroe. Three Southwest Missouri State (31-3) players didn't reach the end. There were 63 fouls called, 75 free throws taken.

So at the finish, it was a game scaled at the foul line.

Guard Kim Pehlke made 11 of 13 free throws for the Lady Toppers and scored 30 points. She also convert-

ed four straight free throws after the Bears had closed

But Southwest Missouri State had essentially lost its

chance much earlier. It scored 10 points in a little more

than four minutes to open the game, then went 11:05 before it made another basket. A 10-9 lead dissolved

"We probably played our worst first half of the season," the Bears coach, Cheryl Burnett, said, "but Western Kentucky had a big part to do with that."

to 56-50 with 7 minutes, 36 seconds left.

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mistakes. But only slightly.

Michigan (25-8) will meet Duke, uses left to play. King's two foul which beat Indiana in the other shots triggered a 9-2 run first cata-

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(25-8) in the championship game on Monday night. Michigan ad-vanced with a 76-72 victory over Cincinnati. Duke defeated Michigan in mid-December, 88-85, in a scintillating overtime game in Ann Arbor, Michigan, that served as the official coming out party for Michigan's Fab Five freshmen. It will be the Rine Devils' third

consecutive appearance in the final. They are now within one victory of becoming the first team to repeat as national champions since UCLA in 1973, and the first team to remain No. 1 in the nation from preseason through postseason since Indiana did so in 1976.

If Duke wins Monday night, Coach Mike Krzyzewski, who defeated his mentor - Coach Bob Knight of Indiana - will surpass UCLA's legendary John Wooden on the NCAA tournament's win-After trailing, 39-27, with a little

more than two minutes left in the first half, Dake got to 42-37 by halftime. And the Blue Devils had to be most pleased with their posi-Krzyzewski and his players

talked all week about the need for a strong defensive effort. That said, Indiana came out and made 12 of to point guard Bobby Hurley, who its first 14 shots, including eight in

In addition, Lactiner, normally Duke's best player in big games, had a rough half. He scored six points on one-of-

point try from the right corner with six shooting. But the height of his 15 seconds left. of the half, when he twice missed the rebound and was fouled with the front end of one and ones in a having made 20 consecutive free

But after finishing the first half strongly, Duke began the second half in even stronger fashion.

Western Kentucky to Meet Stanford

For the Title in Women's Basketball

however, is that it was fucked by a group of cutstanding freshmen: King, Webber, Rose, Juwan Howard, who scored 12 points against Cincinnati, and Ray Jackson. Cincinnati led, 56-54, with 9 minpulted Michigan to a 63-58 lead. The Wolverines stretched the

lead to 65-58 on a foul shot by Rose and one by James Voskuil, a junior who came off the bench to score nine key points. Just when it seemed that Cincinnati was finished, the Bearcats fought beck. Herb Jones's 3-point-

er cut the lead to 65-61 and after a steal by Nick Van Exel, Kirk Taylor cut the lead to 65-63 with 3:39 left to play.
But Vosknil nailed a 3-pointer to make it 68-63 and after a Bearcat free throw made it 68-64, Howard

made a pair of foul shots to make it

Anthony Buford's 3-pointer with 1:53 cut the lead to 70-67, but four straight Michigan points gave the Wolverines a seemingly safe 74-67 lead with 49 seconds left.

Erik Martin converted two foul shots for the Bearcats and after Rose made two for Michigan, B. J. Ward hit a 3-pointer and was fouled by Voskmil to make it 76-72. Ward missed the foul shot and Cincinnati missed three 3-point attempts as time expired

Coming into this game, no one knew exactly what to expect. Michigan, with its cast of heralded freshmen, was brash, cocky and full of the heady spirit of youth living out a fantasy. Cincinnati, making its first Final

Four appearance since 1963, was simply tough, rugged and hungry.

The question for the Bearcast throughout the week was whether that was enough. Ohio State with Jimmy Jackson had also been tough, but eventually wilted in the face of

Michigan's outstanding talent. The other question, one that followed Michigan throughout the tournement, was how the young Wolverines would respond to the pressure of playing in their first

The Wolverines handled the crowd well enough. It was Cincinnati's tough nonstop half court pressure that gave Michigan fits during the first half.

While Michigan's talent pre-vailed in the early going by mid-half, Cincinnati's relentless, swarming assortment of traps and double teams had reduced Michigan's high-flying act to a crawl. By the end of the half, the Wolverines had committed 12 turnovers. Instead of flicking the quick

their play generally and was in evidence early in the first half, the Michigan players became tentative, almost as if they were looking

Stanford took only its second lead of the game with less than two minutes remaining, survived a mix-up

between the officials and held on to beat Virginia, The

The victory earned Stanford (29-3) a berth in the

NCAA women's championship game for the second time in two years. The Cardinal won the title in 1990.

It was the smallest margin of victory ever in a

Kelly Dougherty's free throw with 26 seconds left gave Stanford the lead after Dawn Staley's basket had tied it with 56 seconds left. Kate Paye went to the

line with seven seconds remaining but missed the front end of a one-and-one. Melanee Wagener of

Virginia (32-2) came up with the loose ball and called

Referee Doug Cloud signaled the game was over and Stanford players streamed onto the floor in cele-bration. But the other official, Bob Trammell, saw the

timeout call. After conferring with the alternate offi-

cial on the sidelines, the teams were called back to replay the last eight-tenths of a second.

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get off a shot before the buzzer.

It mattered little, however, as Staley was mable to

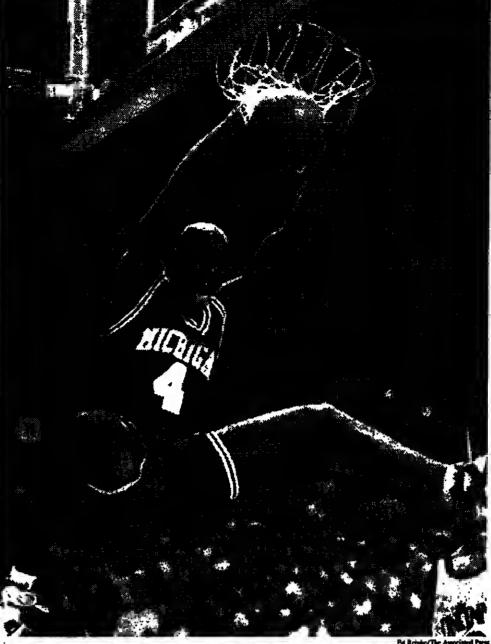
Whiting scored 28 points and made 10 of 12 free

Associated Press reported.

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vomen's Final Four semifinal.



All alone and flying, Chris Webber of Michigan slams one home during the game against Cincinnati.

German Panel Lifts Krabbe's **Ban for Doping**

The German Athletics Federation to prove that someone had tamon Sunday lifted the four-year suspension on the sprinter Katrin umusually long five-day journey Krabbe, a move that anti-drug camfrom South Africa to Cologne's paigners criticized as a setback in dope-testing laboratory. The three the fight against drog use in sports.

Breuer and Silke Möller, had appealed to the federation's independent legal commission after being banned in February for manipulat ing urine samples during random tests in South Africa in January.

"The suspension for the doping infringement has been lifted," the commission chairman, Ginter Emig, said after the panel had deliberated for more than three and a half hours on Sunday.

Citing irregularities in the testing procedure, he said: "There are des in the chain of evidence. It has been proved that there were people present at the doping test who should not have been there." The decision must still be rati-

fied by the International Amateur Athletic Federation before the athletes can run in international events, including the Barcelona

The IAAF's general secretary, Istvan Gyulai, declined to speculate about how the IAAF might rule after they have received a report from the German federation. Krabbe, the 100- and 200-meter gold medalist at last year's world impionships, and her two former East German teammates were banned after their urine samples were found to be identical.

DARMSTADT, Germany - that there was not enough evidence Krabbe and two teammates, Grit rica at the time of the test.

The bottles in which the samples were placed were not scaled properly according to international nateur athletic rules," Emig said.
"It was proved that the secure

transport of the samples was not guaranteed. The large amount of time that the journey took — five days — has also cast doubt."

Norbert Laurens, the German anti-doping official who defended the original ban before the commission, said the ruling could have a major effect on dope-testing.

"I fear it could make dope-testing very difficult, financially and in practical terms," he said. The German sports news agency

SID quoted Joseph Keul, a doctor at the Winter Olympics in Albert-ville and medical adviser to the German Davis Cop team, as saymg. "I'm speechless."

"If the doping analysis isn't taken into account in such a proceeding, I don't what's going to hap-

Krabbe, 22, who stood to lose millions in advertising and spon-sorship contracts if the ban had been upheld, said she planned to compete in Barcelona.

"It is a weight off my shoulders,"

SIDELINES

Party Politics Wins Grand National

LIVERPOOL (AP) - Party Politics, ridden by a substitute, Carl Llewellyn, romped to a two-and-a-half-length victory in the Grand

The 14-1 shot took the lead four fences from the finish of the 30-jump. 4.5-mile (7.24-kilometer) race. Liewellyn was a replacement for Andy

Adams, who had broken a leg.

Romany King, ridden by Richard Guest, finished second Saturday.

Laura's Beam overtook the 15-2 favorite, Docklands Express, to finish third.

Oxford Beats Cambridge, 6 in a Row

LONDON (AP) — A gamble by the American captain, Joe Michels, paid off as Oxford beat Cambridge for the 16th time in 17 years in their 138th annual Boat Race on the River Thames. The margin of victory on Saturday, 1.5 lengths, was the closest since

1980. It was Oxford's 68th victory, compared with Cambridge's 69 in the series. There has been one tie. Cambridge's only victory in the last 17 years was in 1986, when it won by seven lengths.

Johnson at Odds With AIDS Panel

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Magic Johnson was quoted by a gay newspaper as saying that he had told President George Bush he may quit the National Commission on AIDS.

The White House declined to comment on the report in the Advocate. Bosh appointed Johnson to the commission last fall, when Johnson left the Los Angeles Lakers after testing positive for the virus that causes AIDS. Shortly after Johnson met with Bush, he said he believed the president should speak out more against the disease and do more to combat it. The Advocate quoted Johnson as saying that he would step down "if things don't change" and that he wanted the president "to stop dancing around the truth."

O'Neal to Leave LSU to Turn Pro

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (Reuters) — Shaquille O'Neal, the All-America center from Louisiana State University, has announced his intention to pass up his final year of college to turn professional. The 7-foot, 1-inch (2.16-meter) O'Neal said he would apply for the National Basketball Association draft. The 1990-91 College Player of the

Year is widely expected to be selected first overall in the NBA draft. O'Neal

averaged 24.1 points, 14 rebounds and 5.2 blocked shots this season.

Conner Strengthens Cup Position
SAN DIEGO, California (Reuters) — Dennis Conner had strength-"I didn't ever think we were totally out of it," said Stanford's coach, Tara VanDerveer.

After the game, VanDerveer didn't want to waste ened his chances to reach the America's Cup defenders' finals. Conner kept his momentum going Saturday as his Stars and Stripes any more time. She went straight to the chalkboard in beat the America3 syndicate rivals for the fifth time in six races. In the challengers' series, Ville de Paris beat II Moro di Venezia of Italy in a race in which the lead changed three times, and New Zealand beat Nippon. Italy, France and New Zealand are tied with three points after her team's locker room, marking out play diagrams for "I feel great, but I don't feel really happy yet until we win tomorrow. I feel we have a mission left," center

five semifinal races. Japan has one point. For the Record

Gabriel Tiacoh, 29, who in 1984 became Ivory Coast's only Olympic medalist when he won a silver medal in the 400-meter dash, has died in an Atlanta hospital of viral meningitis. A match in the new Crostian soccer league, in Zagreb, was abandoned

Saturday when players from Rijeka attacked the referee after he awarded a penalty against them in favor the opponent, Inker Zapresic. (Reuters)

Jacky Durand of France won the 260-kilometer (161.5-mile) Tour of Flanders World Cup cycling race on Sunday. (Reuters)
Kieren Perkins of Australia broke the men's 1,500-meters irrestyle rimming record on Sunday in Canberra, in 14 minutes, 48.40 seconds at the Australian Open championships. He bettered the mark of 14:50.36 set

by Jorg Hoffmann of Germany in Perth in January 1991. The U.S. national soccer team defeated China, 5-0, in an international friendly in Palo Alto, California, on Saturday. The baseball star Bo Jackson underwent his much anticipated hip-

replacement surgery Saturday in a Chicago suburb, and both he and his doctors said they were satisfied after the operation. (AP)

Mansell Wins Brazilian Prix

SAO PAULO - Nigel Mansell of Britain completed a hat-trick of season-opening victories on Sunday when he led his Williams teammate Riccardo Patrese of Italy home in the Brazilian Grand Prix.

It was the third successive one-two triumph for the Williams team and established Mansell as a comfortable leader in the drivers' standings after 3 of the 16 But Mansell did not find things quite as easy as they

had been in the previous races in South Africa and Mexico, where he had led from start to finish. This time, after leading at the start, he was passed by Patrese on the first lap and had to wait until the

regained the lead. From then on Mansell always looked the winner and drove to a clear victory 29 seconds ahead of his teammate. His winning time was one hour 36 minutes

Italian stopped for new tires after 32 laps before he

Mansell Michael Schumacher of Germany was third in a Benetion, ahead of Jean Alesi of France in a Ferrari, Ivan Capelli of Italy in the second Ferrari and Michele Alboreto of Italy in a Footwork.

It was Mansell's 24th career victory. He now has 30 points in the drivers' championship, with Patrese a distant second with 18 points.

Both McLarens, driven by Ayrton Senna of Brazil, the defending world champion, and Gerhard Berger of Austria, had to retire after problems with their new MP4/7A cars early in the race.

Mansell was delighted with the result. That was one of the worst starts of my career and for the first 29 laps Riccardo drove fantastically well," he said. "I just could not get past him and it was not until the pit stops that I had my chance. I made a really bad start and I nearly lost my engine — it almost cut

Race results: 1, Nigel Mansell, Britain, Williams, one hour 36 minutes, 51.856 seconds, (average speed 190,209 kpl., 118.191 mph); 2, Riccardo Patrese, Italy, Williams, 29.330 seconds behind; 3, Michael Schumacher, Germany, Benetton, seconds beamd; 3, Prichael Schumacher, Germany, Benetton, one lap; 4, Jean Alesi, France, Fecraci, one lap; 5, Ivan Capelli, Italy, Petrari, one lap; 6, Michele Alboreto, Italy, Footwork, one lap; 7, Gianni Monbidelli, Italy, Minardi two laps; 8, J.J.Lehto, Finland, Dallara, two laps; 9, Ukyo Katayama, Japan, Venturi Laytousse, three laps; 10. Mika Hakkinen, Finland, Lotus, four laps.

World ddwers' standings: 1, Nigel Mansell, Britain, 30; 2, Riccardo Patrese, Italy, 18; 3, Michael Schumacher, Germany, 11; 4, Gerhard Berger, Austria, 5; 5, Ayrton Senna, Brazil, 4; 6, Jean Alesi, France, 3; 7, Ivan Capelli, Italy, 2; 8, Andrea de Cesaris, Italy, 2; 9, Johnny Herbert, Britain, 1; Mikka Hakkinen, Finland, 1; Michele Alboreto, Italy, 1.

Constructors' standings: 1, Williams Renault, 48; 2, Benetton Ford 11; 3, McLaren Honda 9; 4, Ferrari, 5; 5, Tyrrell Ilmor, 2; Lotus Ford, 2; 7, Footwork Magen Honda, 1.

Harris Lights Birmingham's Fire To Beat Frankfurt Galaxy in WLAF

The Associated Press Elroy Harris scored two touchdowns, and the Birmingham Fire

handed the previously unbeaten Frankfurt Galaxy a 17-7 loss in the World League of American Football Sunday in Frankfurt. Harris scored on a 10-yard run and pulled in a 9-yard shovel pass

from Mike Norseth to lead the Fire. Trailing 14-0, Tony Baker scampered in from the 1 to cut the Fire lead to 14-7. A 30-yard Phillip Doyle field goal made it 17-7. Rimingham opened scoring on the pass from Norseth to Harris that made it 7-0 midway through

the second quarter. Norseth set up the score with a 50-yard pass to Willie Bouyer. Frankfurt quarterback Mike Perez was intercepted by Arthur Hunter on the Galaxy's next pos-session, and Birmingham made it 14-0 to close the first half on Har-

ris' l-yard touchdown run. Galaxy's kicker, Robbie Keen missed his first and second field goals of the season, the first a 45yarder in the first quarter. Keen's kicking woes continued in the secend quarter when his punt from the Frankfurt end zone was blocked by Simmie Carter. The ball took a few the victory with 46 seconds to play

Frankfurt bounces and rolled out to the 23-yard line. Both teams are 2-1.

Surge 14, Machine 7: In Sacramento, California, the Surge defeated Montreal to remain the only unbeaten team in the WLAF West Division.

Sacramento (3-0), playing at home, scored the winning touchdown Saturday on a one-yard plunge by Mike Pringle with 2:11 left in the game, breaking a 7-7 tie. The touchdown was set up by a 37-yard pass play from David Archer to Carl Parker to give the Surge a first down at the Machine's 4. Pringle carried for 3 yards before scor-

ing over right guard.

Montreal outgained Sacramento, 336 yards to 228, and had six more first downs, 19-13. The Machine held the Surge to 70 yards

Dragons 13, Monarchs 7: In Barcelona, Scott Erney threw a touchdown pass on the first play from scrimmage, and Eric Naposki anchored a Dragons defense that forced eight turnovers.

Naposki recovered two fumbles. forced a third, intercepted a pass and recorded one sack. He sealed

by batting down a Barcelona punt at the Monarchs' 3-yard line.

The Dragous (2-1) scored when Erney connected with wide receiver Thomas Woods on an 86-yard pass play. Woods ontraced cornerback Irvin Smith for the end zone. Riders 9. Knights 3: In East Rutherford, New Jersey, Jim Gal-lery kicked three second-half field

goals the lead San Antonio past New York-New Jersey (3-0). The fans got a good show from Mike Johnson, the backup quarterback, and a late one from the officials and Brent Pease that almost

pulled ont the game for New York-New Jersey.

Aided by two 15-yard penalties. the Knights drove from their 30 to the Riders' 3 in the final seconds. On third down, linebacker Patrick Hinton broke up Pease's pass in the end zone. On the final play of the game, Kip Lewis could not handle

a low pass by Pease, who complet-

ed seven of 17 for 74 yards. Johnson, who entered after Brad Goebel sprained his left ankle late in the first half, completed 12 of 30 passes for 200 yards. He took the Riders (2-1) on scoring drives of 47, 79 and minus 4 yards, with Gallery kicking field goals of 36, 26 and 43.

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J.R. Hartley's Guide to Compleat Angling

L ONDON — In "Fly Fishing" by J. R. Hartley the reader not only gets expert comment on the pleasures of (ishing on the Test and on the Shimna - very much a spate river no more than 10 miles long — as well as various lochs and chalk streams, hut he is treated to gentle advice

MARY BLUME

on when to use a Ned Palmer to match a Cinnamon Sedge or the Medium Olive with Lunn's Particular. He also learns quite a bit about a man who could say with Izaak Walton, "I love any discourse of rivers, and fish and fishing,

J. R. Hartley tells us he is the son of a country doctor and the grandson of a vicar who soothed the boy's misgivings about blood sports by reminding him that the apostles were fishers of men. His book is a typical low-metabolism English country-man's memoir, full of fishing lore and gentle anecdotes about the people Hartley encountered as a schoolmaster at Combermere, where he met and inevitably married a comely young woman who had caught more gray trout than he. J. R. Hartley is a sort of fishy Mr. Chips. Very fishy.

He does not exist. Everyone knows be does not exist and yet his memoirs have sold 70,000 copies and will soon be published in the U.S. and Japan. "Fly Fishing" made history by hitting British best-seller lists in both the fiction and nonfiction categories, possibly the only book to have done so. In his book J. R. quotes Waltoo's phrase, "Angling is like mathematics, that it

can never he learn." But marketing can.
J. R. Hartley was literally found in the Yellow Pages. He first appeared in a tele-vision commercial in 1983 as a fuddled elderly angler unable to locate his out-ofprint memoirs until a young relation sug-gests he find a hookseller through the Yellow Pages. The commercial, with Norman Lumsden as J. R. Hartley, was such a success that Lumsden's three-year con-

tract was twice renewed. Then, piling Pelion upon Ossa as Hartley, a classics master, might put it. Roderick Bloomfield, the publishing director of Stanley Paul, a sporting books division of Random Century House, saw the commercial for the first time a year ago and was hooked. Bloomfield, a mostly straight-faced nonangler, suggested to his board of direc-tors that J. R. Hartley write "Fly Fishing."

the book he sought in the Yellow Pages. The first reaction was that it was a typical Roddy Bloomfield whim." he says. I think because times are difficult people were slightly nervous but then they thought, well, there isn't much of a downside because it's not like doing a 240-page integrated-color book for a coffee table in the recession." His board rose to the bait. Bloomfield got an Oxford friend, Mi-

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chael Russell, a publisher who had never written a book, to write the text with expert advice from Peter Lapsley, one of Bloomfield's angling authors, and charming illustrations by Patrick Benson, Yellow Pages joined in the promotion and Norman Lumsden hired an angling outfit from a theatrical costumier, then was kit-

ted up hy Harrods for national TV.
"Of course you couldn't wear those clothes in London, they were so outre." Lumsden says. "It's all right in the High-lands, where nobody's about." Lumsden has begun to think of himself as Hartley. Bloomfield says.

"He's often asked to do things because people think he is the man or because they like the man. You know, it's a complete confusion." Bloomfield is never confused. "No, not at all, ever, But I think most people are if I can make them. If I can get them confused, I will."

Any spoof has to be kept carefully under control and Bloomfield is hesitant about casting his net into lucrative mer-chandising of J. R. Hartley fishing gear. "It's possible but we feel he's not the

sort of person who would want to put his name to too much merchandise like a football player. He's a bit beyond that." As a fictional character, J. R. - Lumsden likes to think the initials stand for

Joseph Randali - is a good deal more real than most writers of memoirs, with a light touch provided by Michael Russell and a minimum of purple patches about nature's

"I think that can become a bit of a drag, really." Russell said by telephone from Norfolk, where he publishes 15 titles a year under the Michael Russell imprint. "The old twenties style where it's all sort of florid and speckled beauties of the

brooks. I'm not for that at all." He is an angler who knows the difference between a limestone river and a classic chalk stream, though not obsessive about it. "If people ask me along for a fishing holiday I tend to go. It doesn't happen that often."

He sees J. R. Hartley as a classic English comic figure. "Slightly apologetic, slightly aiming for the open manhole cover and then just skirting around, slightly downtrodden hut getting the last laugh, sympa-thetic without being the infuriating old codger. It's that sort of slightly apologetic humor which quite appeals to the English." To get his angling lore absolutely right.

he would call his expert, Peter Lapsley. and say. "We're on the X.Y or Z river in July. What would we expect to catch and what flies would be used?" He is working on a sequel called "J.R. Hartley Casts Again" and has left author's appearances

"It's been wonderful, it's been a shot in the arm for him, he thinks he is J. R. He takes it slightly more seriously than we do." Russell finds the whole story hilarious and was especially tickled when the Sunday Times sought to explain why the book was on its nonfiction best-seller list when it had appeared on another list as fiction. "They described it as 'real fishing, fictional memoirs' which was quite good footwork, or gumboot work."

Lumsden says J. R. has taken over his life. "He really is me, I just put on a slightly different voice for him. I'm recognized everywhere I go all the time. I'm

enjoying it immensely."

A Londoner, Lumsden had never fished but now reads angling magazines, and has had a lesson in fly casting from the Queen Mother's coach on Clapham Common. "I thought am I too old at 85 to take up fly fishing? Then I thought, well being J. R. Harrley I must. I'm going in the deep end, going to have a go."

Lumsden came to acting after a distinguished career as an operatic bass, appearing in Benjamin Britten operas in London and San Francisco, as Boris Godunov on the radio, and in "The Bartered Bride" in Prague, After seeing him as Mr. Peachum "The Beggar's Opera," the stage director Tyrone Guthrie tried to lure him to the Old Vic. where be would have been a contemporary of Gielgud and Olivier. Lumsden said no.

When he started to lose his low range, Lumsden turned to television commercials, quite often appearing as an English butler in America and also for Nikon camcras. Porsche automobiles and for Diet Coke with the Pointer Sisters. He says he is now too much identified with J. R. to get other commercial work.

"It's kiboshed me because the minute I walk in they say you're J. R. aren't you, and I think there's another one gone." As a proto-angler, Lumsden knows about the one that got away. In any case, there are

"Absolntely, yes. I think I prefer to be J. R. because he becomes everybody's fa-vorite uncle or granddad." People, be says, now treat him with affection and respect and he has grown into the part although he was worried at first about his angling igno-

"That's why I besitated to do book signings, because people would come and want to talk about technicalities and I felt I was a hoazer. I'd take on anything now." The next treat will be for J. R. and his waders and his Red Partridges and Poult Bloas and Pouls Zulus to cross the big pond for the American edition. "I'll be on Concorde in a minute," be said.

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Stop Finishing My Sentences

By William Salire

WASHINGTON — When Charlotte Beers unex-pectedly quit as chief executive of a large advertising agency in Chicago, she pointed to three younger executives and told a reporter. These guys needed headroom. They began to finish all my sentences."

The meaning of began to finish all my sentences was "moved in on me, crowded me, assumed part of my authority." It is a metaphor for challenge or derogation, and is not meant to be taken literally.

On the same day Beers finished her own sentence Kirk Johnson of The New York Times wrote this lead from Hartford, Connecticit, about a couple of state auditors: "It was perhaps inevitable, after 25 years in side-by-side offices poring over the same documents, that Leo V. Donohue and Henry J. Becker Jr. should start completing each other's sentences." He reported this exchange:

Becker: I guess we knew each other —

Donokue: — since about 19 — In unison: 55.

In this usage, the meaning of sentence-finishing is different: to complete each other's sentences is a sign

of intimacy, of two heads that break as one. The lexicographic question arises: When someone completes your sentence for you, are you being insulted or complimented? Is your interlocutor signaling that he is measuring your office for his favorite new carpeting — or that he is closely, even enthusiastically, attuned to your thinking and is merely demonstrating the depth of his understanding?

I chewed this over with Allan Metcalf at MacMurray College in Illinois; he's director of the American

"Society. I find myself thinking of literary examples: Shakespeare's Queen Elizabeth who bitterly in-terrupts Richard III."

l looked that up.

King Richard: Now, by my George, my garter, and

my crown -. Queen Elizabeth: Profaned, dishonour'd, and the third usurp d.

Richard: I swear -Elizabeth: By nothing; for this is no oath.

That is the sense used in Chicago ad agencies: ahe's interrupting him to put him down or crowd him out.

The purpose is not to finish the sentence as the other person intends, but to finish it as the interrupter I asked Metcalf for a good source on this, and he directed me to Deborah Tamnen, a linguistics professor at Georgetown University: "She's a real linguist,

not an epigone." Tannen, currently in residence at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, New Jersey, where very few epigones hang out, is author of the best-selling "You Just Don't Understand: Women and Men in Conversation." (It has a real call-me-Ishmael opening

line: "Many years ago I was married to a man who shouted at me . . ." "The two forms of completing another's sentence are interruption and overlap," she explained. "Either you may interrupt the other person, as in taking advantage of a pause, or you may chime in, in chorus with the other speaker."

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Tannen calls this type of conversation "high-in-volvement style," which includes standing close, talk-

ing loudly and leaping from topic to topic. Cultures that feature this style include Eastern Europeana, Mediterraneans, Africans and Arabs; women, Tannen

reports, finish others' sentences more often than men "High-involvement style sends what I call a metamessage of rapport," she says. "The message is the words themselves; the metamessage is what is conveyed, such as showing that you understand the other person or showing the closeness of your relationship.

But what if you don't like having other people finish your sentences for you, even if they are

your sentences for you, even if they are trying only to "Whether or not it's meant to be offensive doesn't matter. What matters is how the listener perceives the speaker's intention. The positive metamessage is ? understand you so well.' The negative metamessage, if people don't like having their sentences completed for them, is 'You're putting words into my mouth.'"

She thinks it is more often intended to be positive

Quit interrupting or you'll drown in metaphors and never get the metamessage.

than negative; I think it is more often received nega-

tively. My conclusion is based on subjective data sometimes called my own experience.

When I go on a television program to pontificate about the meaning of the current campaign, I sometimes start to say something and then stop for an instant. to ask myself - is that what I really mean? I would not want to sell viewers an epigone in a poke. The host or bostess, aware that every millisecond sells for millions—and certain that at the slightest panse millions of viewers jab madly at their hand-held tuners—fills the horrible moment of contemplation with what may or may not be the intended end of my sentence.

And if there is one thing we low-involvement stylists hate, it is for people to, uh -

"Lately I've heard several references to this metastuff," writes Gary Muldoon of Rochester, New York "Meta-process, meta-logue. Metamucil?"

Meta- is the prefix of change, rooted in the Greek for "after, changing, with something else." Its most popular sense is "beyond," as in metaphysic, the study of the fundamental nature of reality and being, named for Aristotle's treatise that appears after "Physics" in his collected works. This is similar to "over, across," as in metaphor, from the Greek for "to carry across" taking one figure of speech and applying it to another situation, as in "drowning in a sea of metaphors."

Another sense is "changing," as in the metamorpho-sis of a caterpillar into a butterfly. Then there's "later than, in succession to "(and withe a manage of a creative artist or scholar). Don't forget meta-'s meaning of a creative artist or scholar). than, in succession to" (and while I'm there, an epigone,

to describe languages.
That brings us to Deborah Tannen's metamessage "a message beyond the message," one that conveys more than the obvious meaning of the words.

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